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The New York Times.

THE WEATHER.

The indications for to-day in this city and neighborhood are threatening and rain.

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THE NEWS CONDENSED.

Stock market strong.

Wheat, 80; corn, 29; cotton, 7⅝.

LEGISLATURE—Senator Raines introduced a bill making a number of minor amendments to the election law. Each house passed several Greater New York bills. The Assembly passed the Forestry bill, and Gov. Black signed it. A resolution naming April 22 as the date of final adjournment passed the Assembly. Messrs. Finn and Trainor denounced Republican leaders for their methods in crowding through legislation.—Page 4.

FOREIGN.—The rights which Great Britain may or may not retain in the coming Postal Congress were a subject of discussion in the House of Commons yesterday. The great plague of India is decreasing in violence. Col. Wellesley has secured a divorce from Kate Vaughan, the actress. A proposal was made in the French Chamber of Deputies to create a National Jury to try public officials.—Page 7.

CONGRESS.—In the Senate Mr. Morgan continued his speech on the Cuban resolution, pleading especially for Ona Melton, the newspaper correspondent, kept a prisoner with the Competitor's crew. Senator Nelson attacked the Torrey Bankruptcy bill.—Page 4.

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Georgia has adopted a new State flag.

James M. Williamson, aged fifteen, died in St. Louis 40 minutes after an immunizing injection of anti-toxin.

The gunboat Nashville developed 14¾ knots, or 1½ knots more than her contract speed, on a preliminary run.

The Rev. George A. Hubbell of Vineland, N. J., had the sight of one eye destroyed by a sun ray deflected from his crystal inkstand.

The damage by fire in Knoxville was about $1,500,000 or $2,000,000. Chattanooga sent help to the city. Several persons are dead or missing.

The Rev. J. L. Hillyer of Atlanta caused his six-year-old son to be immersed. His action has drawn upon him the criticism of Baptists, who say he is bordering close upon infant baptism.

The Cretan insurgents have notified the foreign warships that they will repel by force any further attempt to interfere with their proceedings. Preparations have been made for an attack on Kissamo.

Senator Warren of Wyoming replied to Senator Chandler's utterances on the tariff, and said the Western people wanted to stand on an equality with the East in the matter of protection. Senator Mantle of Montana introduced a bill increasing the tariff on wool.

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It was announced from Buffalo that the Erie Canal would not be regularly opened until May 15.

At the auction sale of trotters yesterday, Cephas, with a record of 2:11¼ on a half-mile track, sold for $4,500.

The Rev. Thomas Ward rescued Maggie Leyden, five years old, from drowning in the Blackstone Canal at Providence.

The Bristol Line steamer Brooklyn City arrived with her forepeak full of water, having run over a submerged portion of an iceberg in a fog.

At yesterday's session in Brooklyn of the New York East Methodist Conference, the rule governing the transfer of ministers elicited a warm discussion.

Yesterday was Sailor Hoffman's fourth anniversary of his admission to the Eastern District Hospital, Brooklyn. His spine is factured, and he has lain in one position during all that time. He has gained seventy pounds in weight.

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David Weisenberger of New York was arrested in Chicago yesterday on account of a judgment obtained against him for breach of promise.

Schrader, the divine healer, left Providence when warned that he might be arrested should he practice medicine without a license.

The Postmaster General formally barred the E. S. Dean Company from the mails. A temporary receiver for the concern has been appointed.

Alonzo J. Whiteman, who has been on trial on a charge of grand larceny in obtaining $580 from the Columbia National Bank, was acquitted.

The Citizens' Union has secured headquarters at 39 East Twenty-third Street and a Finance Committee has been appointed with J. Kennedy Tod as Chairman.

Miss Caroline B. Neally, an alumna of Smith College, pleaded guilty to the charge of larceny at Northampton, Mass., and furnished $500 bail to appear for trial.

Applicants for Consular offices are trying to have the old fee system re-established. President McKinley yesterday nominated Col. William Rufus Shafter to be a Brigadier General.

The five piers to be built on West Street, in the vicinity of Gansevoort Market, were leased yesterday by the Dock Board to the Cunard, White Star, and Wilson

The one hundred and ninth annual General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church will be held at Winona, Ind., six weeks from to-day. Ex-President Harrison probably will preside as Moderator.

It was decided by the Brookfield Republicans at a meeting held at Lyric Hall last night to co-operate with the Citizens' Union in the movement to secure a non-partisan government for Greater New York.

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The City History Club's certificate of incorporation was filed at Albany.

President McKinley arrived at Annapolis on the Dolphin and received a salute from the Naval Academy.

Commander C. D. Sigsbee promoted to be Captain in the navy and ordered from the Hydrographic Office to command the Maine.

The Administration has decided to take up the fur seal controversy, and secure if possible a renewal of the modus vivendi of 1891 until the regulations for killing are modified.

University of Illinois endowment bonds worth $400,000 found missing since the Globe Savings Bank failure in Chicago, in addition to the $140,000 in cash belonging to the university.
university.

Ernest Miller of Pleasantville, N. J., left all of his property to Mrs. Roser, a widow who took care of him one day before he died. He had a premonition last Friday that he would die on the morrow, and it came true.

The Illinois Steel Company bid $260 a ton for supplying 8,000 tons of armor for the battleships Illinois, Wisconsin, and Alabama, provided it can have a contract for supplying all the armor for twenty years. Carnegie and Bethlehem companies unable to bid within the limit ($300) fixed by Congress.

The Raines liquor law amendments, as agreed on in the Republican caucus, were favorably reported in the Senate last night by the Committee on Taxation and Retrenchment. A vote is to be taken next Tuesday. There is to be swift action in both Houses. Edward Lauterbach saw the Governor yesterday, and urged him to veto the bill containing the amendments. He indignantly claimed that the caucus was held a day earlier than had been promised.

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Five runaway boys were arrested in Poughkeepsie. Four of them belong in New York, and have been sent for.

Commissioner Collis declared that he would not allow the proposed big parade of wheelmen on the Boulevard on June 5.

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Commencement exercises were held at the New York Trade School, and 189 diplomas and 127 certificates were given in the various classes.

Robert Cunningham, a man who had the reputation of having precipitated the Black Friday panic of 1869, died at the Harlem Hospital.

John Wilkin, a pioneer New Yorker, died Tuesday, at his home in Grand Street. He began life in this city penniless, but by thrift and paying attention to his work he established a good business.

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Protest has been made by the National Academy of Design against the stand taken by the Fine Arts Federation on the Dingley Tariff bill.

The State Board of Regents yesterday authorized the consolidation of the New York University Medical College and the Bellevue Hospital Medical College.

Mayor Strong returned the Greater New York charter to Albany, but declined to make public whether or not he had attached his signature in approval.

Joseph Williams pretended to be a detective, and handcuffed Maurice Mitchell. Then he stole his watch and chain and ran away. Confessed his guilt when arrested.

Russell Sage secured judgment against Albert H. Smith, who in 1890, it is said, wrecked the firm of Mills, Robeson & Smith, and who is now in Sing Sing Prison.

The sale of the first half of the Bierstadt Library has been completed. About 1,400 books were sold for about $8,000. There was a good demand for Lockers, Langs, and Longfellows.

At the close of a public hearing held by the Mayor on the Finn Stoop-line bill, yesterday, he announced that he would approve the measure. Many objections were made to the proposed law.

Charles J. Treadway, the negro "stool pigeon" who testified in the Police Board trial of Capt. Sheehan, was convicted, with a recommendation to mercy. Judge McMahon spoke of him as "a fitting instrument of the schemes of men in high authority."

A temporary injunction was granted yesterday on the application of a taxpayer, restraining the Metropolitan Traction Company from changing its motive power for the present. The officials of the company are not disturbed by Mr. Braker's offer to purchase the Sixth and Eighth Avenue roads.

The managers of the Grant Monument dedication ceremonies were informed that all the members of the General's family would be present. Reports were received from many uniformed school and college organizations which will be in the procession. The representation of the Fire Department was announced.

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FATE OF A BLACK CAT.

Frightened Many Persons and Was Killed by a Policeman Who Was Scolded by Its Owner.

There was a hunt for a mad cat on the wild and rocky slope at Ninety-fifth Street and Riverside Avenue last night. The cat was black, with very large and glassy eyes and loud voice. Ten boys, two women, and a small girl shouted loudly for the police, and when Patrolman Nethercott hurried down the street, the girl said: "Policeman, it tried to bite my brother."

"What is it?" the policeman asked.

"I think it's a tiger," the child said.

Then the policeman climbed over rocks, revolver in hand, while the others looked on. The cat crawled in holes and kept the policeman busy for twenty minutes. During that time he fired five shots, and the crowd grew larger. The boys made funny remarks about the revolver being out of order. At last a bullet struck the cat and killed it. Then a woman ran out of a near-by house and called the policeman names. "That was my pretty Fanny," said she. "Fanny was only playing."

SUN DESTROYED HIS EYE.

Injury by a Ray Deflected from a Crystal Inkstand.

At yesterday's session of the New York East Methodist Conference in St. John's Church, Wilson Street and Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, resolutions of sympathy with the Rev. George A. Hubbell of Vineland, N. J., were adopted by unanimous vote. Mr. Hubbell is a superannuated Methodist preacher, and is one of the Trustees of the conference.

In presenting a letter from him resigning the Trusteeship, Dr. Nathan Hubbell said Mr. Hubbell has recently lost the sight of his right eye. Dr. Hubbell said the affliction was caused by a sun ray deflected from a crystal inkstand. He was writing at his desk when the light struck his eye. He felt a sharp pain that for a moment almost overpowered him, and then found that the eye was sightless. He consulted a physician without effect.

When the circumstances as related by Dr. Hubbell were told by a reporter for THE NEW YORK TIMES to T. H. McAllister of 49 Nassau Street, an expert on all matters pertaining to the eye, he said the occurrence was an extraordinary one. "Curious things occur," he said, "and the operations of eye and light are often inexplicable. Mr. Hubbell's inkstand may have formed a lens and refracted a strong enough stream of light to destroy his sight, and then again some internal disarrangement of the nerves may have taken place and caused the loss of sight just at the time the light ray attracted his attention."

SIX-YEAR-OLD IMMERSED.

Preacher in Georgia Accused of Favoring Infant Baptism.

ALTANTA, Ga., April 8.—The immersion last night of the six-year-old son of the Rev. J. L. Hillyer, a Baptist preacher, has drawn upon him the criticism of those of his denomination who think he is playing close upon the verge of infant baptism in the case in point.

The child is precocious, and his father declares him to have a man's sense, if not a man's growth. The denomination has had a good deal of controversy here lately, which will be heightened by the event of last night. The boy's great-grandfather was the Dr. Dagg at one time President of Mercer University.

CHRISTENED A TORPEDO BOAT.

Secretary Long Exercised His Prerogative in Naming the Foote.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Secretary Long to-day for the first time exercised his right of christening a naval vessel when he bestowed upon torpedo boat No. 3, now building at the Union Iron Works, the name of "The Foote."

This is to perpetuate the memory of one of the fighting naval commanders of the civil war. Admiral Foote was the father of total abstinence from liquor in the navy, and of him the sailors sung, "He raised our pay 10 cents a day and stopped our grog forever."

Commencing Monday, April 12, 1897, D., L. & W. R. R. will run through Buffet sleeping cars to Chicago, leaving New York daily at 7:30 P. M., arriving in Chicago 9:00 P. M. following day. Dining car service west of Buffalo.—Adv.

CLASH OVER THE TARIFF

Senator Warren States the Views of Western People in Reply to Chandler's Utterances.

WISH TO BE TREATED FAIRLY.

How Eastern Interests Are Cared for Before the Committees of Congress—Senator Mantle of Montana Seeks to Advance Wool Duties.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Commenting upon Senator Chandler's statement in regard to the possible failure of the Tariff bill because of too high rates, Senator Warren of Wyoming said: "I do not consider it entirely fair and certainly not judicious to impute at this time to Western Senators a disposition to be extreme in their tariff views, or to insinuate that the Tariff bill will fail because of the radical demands of Western interests. Such a presumption would be premature, and tend to demoralize rather than intimidate, as perhaps intended.

"The Tariff bill will fail, as it ought to fail, if it is sectional and partial and does not equitably recognize agricultural, mining, and lumber interests as well as others. Eastern interests are always well represented at the capital by competent experts in all Eastern economic lines; they are in continual attendance on the committees, so that Eastern Senators and Congressmen do not have much left to contend for before the committees having charge of tariff bills, and the duties being arranged satisfactorily for them in committees, they need make but little effort on the floor while tariff bills are under consideration. On the other hand, the agricultural and Western interests are not thus represented, but, feeling that they are entitled to consideration, they appeal to their representatives in Congress and thus Western Senators have greater responsibilities and more to do than Eastern Senators in contending for a just scale of import duties. But their activity must not be taken as hostility.

"If it be decided that one section of the country must take buzzard while another demands turkey, in order to reform the tariff, then reformation would better be delayed, regrettable as such a result would be, and to none more regrettable than to Western Senators."

FOR HIGHER WOOL DUTIES.

Senator Mantle of Montana Seeks to Amend the Tariff Bill.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Senator Mantle of Montana to-day introduced an amendment to the wool schedule of the Dingley Tariff bill, which provides for advancing the rates on several varieties of raw wools. It proposes to make the duty on washed wools of both the first and second classes, instead of the first class only, double that on unwashed; to double the duty on all classes "imported in any other than ordinary condition, or which has been sorted or increased in value by the rejection of any part of the original fleece," thus extending the scope of the paragraph in the bill which applies only to wools of the first and second classes. It also adds "cutting off" as one of the methods of increasing wools in value covered by the paragraph, and strikes out the clause excepting skirted wools imported in 1890, or prior thereto.

It proposes to amend the paragraph fixing a duty of 32 per cent. ad valorem on wools of the third class and camel's hair valued at 13 cents or less per pound by changing 13 to 10 cents and adding "provided that in no case shall the duty be less than 5 cents per pound." Corresponding changes are proposed in the next paragraph making the duty 50 per cent. on wools of the third class valued at more than 13 cents, by making it apply to wools valued at more than 10 cents, and providing that the duty shall not be less than 8 cents per pounds.

JAMES J. HILL ON THE TARIFF.

He Hopes It Will Not Cripple the New Wheat Trade With Japan.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—James J. Hill, President of the Great Northern Railroad, and who is interested largely in transportation to the Orient, has written a letter to a Senator, in which he points out the possibilities of trade in China and Japan, and suggests that tariff duties be so adjusted as not to prevent or cut off trade with the countries across the Pacific. He says: "The Asiatic trade is of the greatest importance to this country, and particularly to such portions of it as are interested in raising wheat," and continues:

"A year ago last Fall wheat sold for from 18 to 22 cents per bushel in the Palouse country, south of Spokane Falls, and this year it has sold for from 65 to 70 cents. About three years ago I sent an agent to China and Japan to investigate thoroughly what steps could be taken to introduce the general use of wheat in those countries, as against their own rice, and found that it was simply a matter of price. I then took up the consideration of building large steamers for that trade, designed to carry cargoes of flour or grain at low rates. I found we could build the ships, but that, owing to the Sailors' Union fixing the wages of sailors at $30 a month, and engineers and other ship employes at about twice the wages paid by European steamers, it would be impossible for us to compete with the English, German, Italian, and Scandinavian ships already on the Pacific Ocean. After the war with China the Japanese appropriated a large amount of their war indemnity for a subsidy to the merchant marine, and we opened negotiations with the General Steamship Company of Japan, which is owned by the leading men of the empire. We found their subsidy was about equal to the cost of their coal and the wages of their sailors. They pay their sailors $5 a month in Mexican silver, or $2 in gold, enabling them to hire twelve good sailors for the wages of one American sailor. After some protracted and difficult negotiations, we concluded a contract with them for a line of steamers between Chinese and Japanese ports and Seattle, on condition that they would carry flour from Puget Sound to the Asiatic ports at $3 a ton, as against from $7 to $8 a ton formerly charged from west coast ports in the United States. This low rate fixed the rate for all other lines between the Pacific coast and Asia, and has resulted in carrying out about 28,000,000 bushels of wheat, or its equivalent in flour, from the last crop. There is left, I understand, about 5,000,000 bushels to be moved between now and the next harvest.

"I have given the details so that you will understand the situation and be able to see that unless these ships can bring their main cargoes of merchandise to the Pacific ports at rates that will compensate them for the traffic, the business must go as heretofore to New York, and the rates of flour to Asiatic ports will be again at the old figure or an advance of about 50 cents a barrel, which would, in my judgment, destroy the business that has just begun to be built up with that country."

THE LEATHER MEN PROTEST.

They Seek to Prevent Imposition of a Tariff Tax on Hides.

A preliminary meeting was held yesterday afternoon at the Hide and Leather Club, Gold and Cliff Streets, of representatives of the leather, harness, shoe, and kindred trades, for the purpose of taking active and prompt action in reference to the proposed duty on hides by Congress. After the meeting Charles A. Schieren, ex-Mayor of Brooklyn, who was elected Chairman, in voicing the sentiments of the meeting, said:

"The trade learned, on reliable authority, that the Finance Committee of the Senate proposed to take hides and skins from the free list and put 2 cents per pound duty on them. Such action by the Government means the utter destruction of our export trade in leather, shoes, &c. Since 1871, when hides were placed on the free list we built up an enormous export trade, which amounted to over $20,000,000, and gave employment to over 100,000 workmen in the tanneries and shoe factories last year. The shoe men are now beginning to export their shoes to South America and other countries. In leather belting we export to almost every country on the globe. All this trade will revert back again to the English and Germans if our Government places a duty on raw material, and will be entirely lost to this country."

Philadelphia and Boston merchants have notified the New York leather men that they have organized, or are preparing to do so, and will co-operate with them. The following were appointed an Executive Committee at yesterday's meeting: Justus L. Bulkley, Charles E. Bigelow, Leopold Roosbach, J. S. Ulmann, and William Moffat. William McCarroll was chosen Secretary. Another meeting will be held to-morrow morning.

GOT A VERDICT FOR $1.50.

The Inglorious End of an Ohio Suit for Libel.

CANTON, Ohio, April 8.—Tyndale Palmer yesterday obtained a verdict from a jury in the Court of Common Pleas for $1.50 in a libel suit against The Evening Repository.

The suit is one of the last of many similar brought by Palmer against papers using a press dispatch in regard to a land deal. The petition asked for $50,000.

President McKinley is one of the stockholders of the paper.

ANTI-TOXIN AND DEATH.

Boy Dies Forty Minutes After an Injection in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, April 8.—James M. Williamson, fifteen years old, an inmate of the Christian Orphans' Home, received an immunizing injection of anti-toxin to-day for the purpose of preventing diphtheria. Forty minutes later the boy was a corpse.

The news struck like a thunderbolt in the College of Physicians and Surgeons. An autopsy was ordered, in which half a dozen doctors took part. They held a long consultation, and came out with the verdict, "death from heart failure."

DEVOURED BY CANNIBALS.

The Painful Death of Mr. Duncan, a Trader in New Hebrides.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 8.—Australian advices state that Mr. Duncan, a white trader who reached Sydney from South Africa last year, met his death in a very painful way while trading with natives of New Hebrides. He was tied up to one of the trees for three days, being kept alive and forcibly stuffed with food. He was then cut down, killed and eaten, women even joining joyfully in the cannibalistic feast.

There was a great assemblage from the various groups of islands. Duncan, it appears, was a single man, about thirty-three years of age. He was a peaceable man, and his friends at Sydney say that he would not draw his revolver on any account. From those who know the New Hebrides has been collected the information that the natives are very treacherous, they on several occasions having dealt murderously with European vessels.

TROUBLES OF A MINISTER.

The Rev. Robert Toombs Dubose Is Harrassed by Methodist Officials.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 8.—The friends of the Rev. Robert Toombs Dubose, grandson of the noted Robert Toombs, are excited over an alleged attempt to freeze him out of the Methodist Church South. He gave up the First Methodist Church at Jacksonville, Fla., to return to Georgia. When the appointments were made he was surprised to find himself assigned to a circuit of six backwoods churches, the annual receipts of which were only $150. Bishop Wilson offered a pastorate in a small city.

Then the matter hung fire till Mr. Dubose found he was being opposed in the dark. He asked for an investigation, and it transpired that Presiding Elder Mixon of Augusta had marked his veto on the application because Mr. Dubose had refused the backwoods assignment. In the meantime the city pulpit has been filled.

STATE FLAG FOR GEORGIA.

A Blue Perpendicular Stripe with Red and White Bands Adopted.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 8.—Georgia is to have a new State flag. Acting Adjutant General Oscar J. Brown to-day submitted to the Governor, in accordance with an act of the Legislature, a colored design of the flag for military headquarters, and the same design, with some modifications, will be used for the regiment.

The design consists of a perpendicular blue band one-third the length of the flag next the staff. Extending lengthwise from this with the fly are three parallel bands, each one-third as wide as the flag. The middle band is white and those above and below are red. Below the perpendicular blue band the design of the State seal, with the three columns, wisdom, justice, and moderation, is wrought in gold. Below is a pendant scroll bearing the word "Georgia." The material of the flag is silk, and it is to be fringed with gold bullion or silk floss.

Sues the Makers of His Cycle.

BOSTON, April 8.—Herbert G. Batchelder of this city, who recently purchased a bicycle, has brought suit in the Superior Court against the company which made it to recover $5,000 damages for injuries alleged to have been sustained by the breaking of the mach

DEFIANCE TO THE POWERS

The Cretans Notify the Warships tha They Will Oppose Their Interference.

READY TO ATTACK KISSAMO.

The Austrian Admiral Will Go There To-day, Remove the Mohammedans, and Blow up the Two Blockhouses.

LONDON, April 8.—The Times's Canea correspondent says:

"The Cretans are now massing around Kissamo. They have mounted four guns, and intend to attack the fort, which is held by 150 Turks. Yesterday they wrote to the Captain of the Austrian warship anchored in the bay, declaring that as the action of the international fleet had hitherto been hostile to them, they would repel forcibly any attempt of the warships to interfere with their designs at Kissamo. It is expected, therefore, that the Cretans will direct their guns upon the warships if the latter open fire.

"The Austrian Admiral will proceed to Kissamo to-morrow. It has been decided to remove the few Mohammedan families still there and to blow up the two blockhouses in the vicinity of the fort in order to prevent the Cretans from occupying them."

ARE THE POWERS WEAKENING?

An Impression in Athens that the Concert Is Dissolving.

LONDON, April 8.—The Athens correspondent of The Times says:

"The opinion of the Greek newspapers is virtually unanimous as to the recent declaration of the powers. It is that the European concert, after a conspicuous failure as to Crete, is gradually tending to dissolution, and will be obliged to content itself with a mere admonition.

"There is an evident disinclination on the part of some of the powers to carry out any programme of coercion and a weakening of purpose in the European federation, which is showing signs of decrepitude. The similarity of language between the declaration and the recent warning of the Journal de St. Petersburg has been noticed here, and this latest step of the powers is attributed to the Russian initiative.

"Count Muravieff, the Russian Foreign Minister, has already become the bête noir of the Greeks. His uniformly hostile attitude has produced great indignation. Well-informed persons here believe that Count Muravieff, who inherits the traditions of an autocratic family, is resolved to play a masterful rôle in European politics and to leave an impression upon the history of his time.

"One of the opposition journals professes to know that a proposal has been communicated to Greece through one of its representatives abroad, that if Greece will submit to the powers in the Cretan affair she will receive as a recompense the territory included within the frontier lines traced by the Berlin conference of 1881, together with a portion of Macedonia, including Selonika."

A dispatch to The Times from Constantinople says that the Porte this afternoon communicated to the Ambassadors the contents of three circulars dispatched to the Ottoman representatives abroad. The first, dated April 5, notifies the powers that the Porte is willing to withdraw the Turkish garrison from Crete immediately if the Greeks previously withdraw and the powers guarantee to pacify the island. It demands, also, that Greece should evacuate Crete forthwith. The second is dated April 6, and protests, in anticipation, against the appointment by the powers of a European Governor of the island. The third, dated April 7, protests against the injustice of disarming the Cretan Mohammedans while the Christians are permitted to retain their arms.

A Greek Consul's House Searched.

CANEA, Island of Crete, April 8.—The Turkish gendarmes have entered the house of the Greek Consul at Halepa and seized several rifles and some ammunition which had been left there by the villagers. It is alleged that the Sub-Governor of the island sent the gendarmes to search the house.

THE BLOCKADE OF GREECE.

A New Proclamation to the Cretans Will Accompany It.

LONDON, April 8.—The Rome correspondent of The Daily News learns that the powers will begin the blockade of Greece simultaneously with a new proclamation to the Cretans.

Everything indicates that Greece is firmly determined to resist. The Greek Government is negotiating with the well-known Polish sportsman and ex-aide de camp of King Humbert, Col. Jaraczewski, to go to Athens to command the Italian volunteers, 300 of whom are already in Greece. Several hundred more are about to start for Larissa.

Prince Odescalchi is assisting the expedition.

ACTION OF ITALY DENOUNCED.

An Uproar in the Chamber of Deputies Yesterday.

ROME, April 8.—Considerable uproar attended the interpellation of the Government by Signor Imbriani, the Socialist leader in the Chamber of Deputies, to-day, who referred to the "odious policy of leading free Italy to commit inconceivable acts of violence against Greece and trample upon the laws of nations."

Continuing, Signor Imbriani asserted that Italy was playing the rôle of a vassal to the Dreibund, and he eulogized the conduct of Greece. In so doing the Socialist Deputy vigorously attacked the acts of Italy and the concert of the powers, for which he was frequently called to order by the President of the chamber and was loudly cheered by his followers.

SAVED THE CATHEDRAL.

Great Damage by the Conflagration in Candia.

ATHENS, April 8.—The Italian sailors were able to save the Cathedral at Candia from the fire which broke out there yesterday, and which destroyed the residence of the Bishop. It is estimated that the damages from the conflagration will reach £30,000.

The royal yacht Sphakteria has sailed for Volo with the chief of the Red Cross Society.

A squadron of ironclads has left Skiathos for Oreo and Eurboea.

BRYAN SERIOUSLY HURT.

Picked up Unconscious After Falling Twenty Feet from a Platform in St. Augustine.

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla., April 8.—The Hon. William J. Bryan was injured here this afternoon by the caving in of the piazza from which he was speaking. Nearly 400 men and women were precipitated about twenty feet to the ground, and many of them injured, but none fatally.

Mr. Bryan was picked up unconscious and removed to a physician's office, where an examination revealed that he had received no injuries of a serious character. It was deemed best, however, to abandon the reception which was to have been given him this evening.

Mr. Bryan arrived here at 4:50 P. M., and was greeted at the station by several hundred people. At 8:30 he addressed fully 3,000 people from the piazza of the San Marco Hotel. At the close of his speech hundreds of people flocked about him, and so great was the strain that one section of the piazza forty feet square fell through.

THE REVOLT IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Cape Volunteers Lose Five Men, Including Lieut. Harris, in an Encounter with Insurgents.

CAPE TOWN, April 8.—A dispatch from Vryburg says that in an encounter with the Bechuanaland insurgents on Tuesday, near Kuruman, the Cape Volunteers lost five men killed and had six men wounded. Lieut. Harris was among the killed.

A later dispatch from Vryburg says the Volunteers have captured and burned the insurgents' stronghold at Gamssepe.

LONDON, April 8.—A dispatch to The Times from Cape Town says that advices received there from Delagoa Bay announce that the insurrection in the country bordering on and across the Limpopo River, forming for many miles the northwest and northern limit of the Transvaal, is extremely serious.

Troops are leaving for Delagoa Bay by the steamer Carnarvon.

A further rising is expected in Maputaland.

MORE MASSACRES EXPECTED.

War Believed to be Inevitable in Asia Minor.

LONDON, April 9.—The Daily Chronicle declares that 2,000 persons have perished by Moslem massacre in Tokat, and that fresh outrages, probably as devilish, are expected.

The Kamidiet Regiment has recently been moved, and, it is believed, is going to Erzeroum. All along the Syrian coast have been placed guards of Turkish soldiers to prevent the Armenians from escaping. Those at Zeitoun are ready to rise, and, says The Chronicle's correspondent, war seems inevitable.

HAWAII KNOCKING TO GET IN.

President Dole Will Send a Commissioner to Washington.

HONOLULU, April 1.—President Dole gave out the information to-day that William A. Kinney, a local lawyer, had been selected to go to Washington on April 7 as an Annexation Commissioner. The mail on March 30 brought this Government some inside information on the annexation question, and it is expected that that important matter will be brought before the present session of Congress.

At present, Attorney General Smith and A. S. Hartwell are in Washington in the interests of a closer political union. What they have accomplished this Government only knows, and its officials decline to give out anything.

FAST RUN OF THE NASHVILLE.

New Gunboat Developes More Than Her Contract Speed with Ease.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., April 8.—The gunboat Nashville, which was constructed at this point by the Newport News Ship Building and Dry Dock Company, was sent out to-day for a preliminary run. Although no speed test was made, the vessel developed 14¾ knots, or 1½ knots more than the contract requirement, without any attempt to bring out her capacity.

MARRIED ON THE RAILROAD.

A. G. Palmer and Mary Baer United in Wedlock in a Moving Car.

WILLIAMSPORT, Penn., April 8.—General Superintendent A. G. Palmer of the Beech Creek Railroad and Miss Mary Baer were married yesterday in the former's private car while it was speeding over the rails at forty miles an hour.

The ceremony was performed between Jersey Shore and Newberry by the Rev. P. S. Kohler, a Presbyterian minister of Jersey Shore.

The bride's brother and his wife witnessed the ceremony.

THE WEATHER.

The barometer has fallen from the lake regions southward to the East Gulf and South Atlantic coasts, and it has risen generally to the west of the Mississippi. There is a depression central over Western Tennessee, which covers the region from the Ohio Valley southward to the east Gulf coast, and the barometer is highest over the central Rocky Mountain districts.

Heavy rains are reported from the Ohio, Central, and Lower Mississippi Valleys, and local showers from the Middle and South Atlantic States. The weather is partly cloudy in the lake region and New England and fair from Texas northward to Dakota.

The indications are that threatening weather and rain will prevail on the Atlantic coast from New England to Georgia, and rain, followed by clearing weather, is indicated for the Lower Ohio Valley, and thence southward to the East Gulf coast. The weather will be generally fair to the west of the Mississippi.

The record of temperature for the twenty-four hours ended at midnight, taken from THE NEW YORK TIMES's thermometer and from the thermometer of the Weather Bureau, is as follows:

	—Weather Bureau.—		TIMES.
	1896.	1897.	1897.
3 A. M.	34	39	47
6 A. M.	32	42	45
9 A. M.	29	46	49
12 M.	29	52	58
4 P. M.	32	47	55
6 P. M.	33	47	53
9 P. M.	33	45	50
12 P. M.	32	44	48

THE TIMES's thermometer is 6 feet above the street level; that of the Weather Bureau is 285 feet above the street level.

Average temperatures yesterday were as follows:

Printing House Square	50½
Weather Bureau	49
Corresponding date 1896	32
Corresponding date for last twenty years	46

FIRE RAVAGES KNOXVILLE

About $2,000,000 Worth of Property Goes Up in Smoke with Loss of Many Lives.

CHATTANOOGA SENDS RELIEF.

Sixty Miles an Hour Made on the Run of 111 Miles—Daring Rescue of Some of the Inmates of the Hotel Knox.

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., April 8.—The loss by to-day's fire is estimated at from $1,500,000 to $2,000,000. Some of the leading business houses in the South were consumed. The loss of life is uncertain.

Dead or Missing.

So far as known, the following are dead or missing:

HOLLOWAY, W. W., merchant, Newport, Tenn.
HOPKINS, R. W., St. Louis, a traveling man.
ROBERTSON, ——, of Pulaski, Tenn.
WEEKS, A. E., of Locke, N. Y., traveling man from a Rochester stamping company.
WILLIAMS, S. E., capitalist, Springfield, Mass.

Injured.

The following persons are reported injured:

BOGLE, J. C. M., Tennessee, burned, and will die.
DEAN, D. M., Indianapolis, ankle sprained.
PECK, TOM S., Morristown, Tenn., ankle cut and sprained.
HOOD, Lieut., Knoxville, cut on face and head by glass from explosion.
HARRIS, CLAUDE, Knoxville, cut in dozen places.
ASQUITH, Policeman, burned and cut by flying glass.
DUNCAN, Policeman, badly burned.
McINTOSH, Fire Chief, bruised from fall.
KEPHART, W. H., Knoxville, internally hurt.

Four or five other boarders at the Hotel Knox are supposed to be in the ruins. A cabinet worker named P. C. Dyer fell dead on the street from fright.

Weeks is known to have perished in the Hotel Knox. R. W. Hopkins, a St. Louis drummer, was last seen in the building in a suffocating condition. W. H. Kephart, ex-Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, saved the life of John Bogle, an old farmer, by dragging him to a window and letting him out on the roof of another building. Kephart jumped one story and was injured. When the firemen thought all the inmates of the hotel had escaped, a woman with an infant in her arms rushed to a rear window and screamed for help. A net was quickly stretched, and the woman asked to drop the child out, but as the smoke almost choked her, she told them that if one had to die, both would die. The woman was finally rescued by the firemen.

From the hotel burning, which is five stories, the fire spread east and west. In the wholesale hardware house of W. W. Woodruff & Co. a dynamite explosion occurred, and scores of people were hurt by flying bricks and glass. It became necessary at last to have the walls of one building blown down by cannon to check the spread of the fire. A mountain howitzer of the Knoxville Legion was called into play and a load of canister did the work, at the same time tearing up some residences in a different portion of the city.

The city authorities, realizing that the Fire Department was unable to conquer the flames, telegraphed to Chattanooga for assistance. An engine was placed aboard a flatcar on the Southern Railway and started the run of 111 miles, which was made by Engineer Robbins in 115 minutes, with one stop for water, an average of sixty miles an hour, breaking the record. When the engine arrived here the fire was about under control, yet the Chattanooga boys did some good work.

A large force of men are at work clearing away the debris to-night and searching for the bodies. The street car lines are completely tied up, and all the electric companies have suffered. All the buildings are to be replaced at once.

The losses and insurance as given out to-night are as follows:

McNulty Grocery Company, loss $15,000; insurance, $6,000; McNulty Building, loss, $45,000; insurance $27,000; Hotel Knox, furniture and fixtures, loss $12,000; insurance $3,000; Daniel Briscoe Brothers & Co., dry goods, stock, loss $300,000; insurance $115,000; Daniel Briscoe Brothers & Co., building, loss $40,000; insurance $35,000; E. P. King & Co., insurance office, loss $5,500; insurance $5,000; McNulty & McGhee, building, loss $15,000; insurance nothing; S. P. Newman & Co., printers, loss $45,000; insurance $15,000; W. W. Woodruff & Co., hardware, building, loss $42,000; insurance $10,000.

Cullen & Newmans, queensware, loss, $40,000; insurance, $25,000. J. C. Cullin, building, $40,000; insurance not known. Henegar, Doyle & Arnold, clothing, loss, $80,000; insurance, $78,500. M. D. Arnold, building, loss, $15,000; insurance, $10,000. M. L. Ross & Co., groceries, loss, $60,000; insurance, $30,000. M. L. Ross, building, loss, $15,000; insurance, $10,000. W. W. Woodruff & Co., hardware, loss, $100,000; insurance, $70,000 W. W. Woodruff, building, loss, $12,000; insurance, $10,000.

Murphy & Robinson, hats; loss, $25,000; insurance, $20,000. A. P. Lahr, dry goods, loss, $45,000; insurance, $40,000. R. S. Payne, building; loss, $30,000; insurance, $15,000. Sterchi Brothers, furniture; loss, $35,000; insurance, $15,000. C. C. McGhee, building; loss, $30,0000; insurance nothing. Sanford, Chamberlain & Albers, drugs; stock, loss, $20,000; insurance, $20,000; building, loss, $15,000; insurance, $5,000.

McMillan & Meek Building; loss, $7,000; insurance nothing. Cusick, stables, building; loss, $10,000; insurance nothing. Warehouse; loss, $1,000; insurance, $1,000. City Stables, contents; loss, $1,000; insurance, $1,000; building loss, $3,000; insurance nothing. E. E. McMillan, building, vacant; loss, $15,000; insurance, $15,000.

The following losses to plate-glass were caused by intense heat and water; the buildings were not burned: Mester Newcomer Company; loss, $6,000; insurance, $5,000; M. P. Arnstein & Co.; loss, $5,000; insurance ample. Others aggregating from $6,000 to $8,000 fully insured.

Excessive Use of Bicycle Fatal.

BUCHANAN, Mich., April 8.—Excessive bicycle riding is given as the cause of death of Miss May Brewer, a young teacher in the high school here, who died last night.

Ex-Mayor Cregier of Chicago Ill.

CHICAGO, April

IMPERILED BY AN ICEBERG

Narrow Escape from Disaster of the Bristol Line Steamer Brooklyn City.

A COLLISION IN THE FOG.

The Vessel Surrounded by Hummocks —A Submerged Portion of a Huge Berg Did the Damage—Arrived Here with the Forepeak Full of Water.

The Bristol Line steamhsip Brooklyn City, which came into port yesterday, narrowly escaped being a victim to the ice that has invaded the steamship track south of the Newfoundland Banks. A fore peak full of water that came in through open plates at her bow betokened actual encounter with an iceberg.

The Brooklyn City sailed from Swansea March 20, with a general cargo and a crew of 20, but no passengers save Capt. Watkins's wife. She ran into a heavy gale March 30, that came from all around the compass and lasted for twenty hours, when good weather followed.

"I looked for a pleasant voyage after that," said the Captain yesterday, "but two days later I saw a fog bank ahead, and I knew what that meant."

It meant ice, and the Brooklyn City found it just before midnight April 1 in latitude 43 degrees 55 minutes, longitude 48 degrees 28 minutes. It was loose, small ice at first, but the Captain decided to take no chances, and he headed his vessel to the south and proceeded cautiously. The precaution was too late, however, for the ice became heavier and crunched menacingly against the sides of the steamship. When the ice hummocks grew in size until they reached to the bulwarks Captain and crew became alarmed. Mrs. Watkins, roused from her sleep, dressed and went on deck.

"Isn't it grand!" was her first ejaculation, which the Captain now recalls with amusement, though he was not then in a mood to sympathize with his consort's appreciation of the sight.

There opened a lead just then, but the Captain had hardly time to congratulate himself on the prospect of safer sailing when, barely a ship's length ahead, there loomed up in the fog a berg, the size of which could not be seen at first. Almost with the cry of the lookout the wheel was thrown hard over, and the steamer's bow swung off. It looked as though she would clear the icy cliff, but a moment later her bow raised up, then slipped to one side, and there was a grinding as the bilges slid along a submerged edge of the berg.

There was a moment of terror on the steamship. Through the mist the berg could be distinguished, rising to a height of 60 feet or more, its dark, glistening sides reflecting the glare of the steamer's lights. It seemed to be about 100 feet long. The vessel found clear water after glancing away from the berg, and a hasty examination was made to learn her condition. Her plates were intact above the water line, but water was flowing rapidly into the forepeak. Most of it found its way through a crack that had been made in the forward iron bulkhead to the forehold. Weighted tarpaulin was hastily dropped over the bows to cover the rent and impede the inflow, and the iron bulkhead was braced up within.

The forepeak was soon filled to a depth of 15 feet, but with the aid of the pumps the water was kept down to a few inches in the forehold. She will now go into a dry dock for examination.

IASIGI IS AGAIN INDICTED.

He Will Now Be Prosecuted as a Private Citizen.

BOSTON, Mass., April 8.—The new indictment found against Joseph Iasigi, formerly Turkish Consul at Boston, now in the custody of the Federal authorities in New York, was forwarded to the New York police to-night. The indictment is similar to the one now in the hands of the police of that city. It charges embezzlement, the same as in the other indictment.

The new indictment was made necessary when the Turkish Government removed Iasigi from his position as Consul General shortly after his arrest in New York, the case having been taken to the Supreme Court in Washington on the ground that, as he was a Consul General, the State authorities had no power to hold him.

Now, that the Supreme Court has decided against him, the authorities in this city take this means to secure his removal here. The new indictment charges the embezzlement by Joseph Iasigi as a private citizen.

MURDER OF A STOCKMAN.

Unprovoked Killing of a Citizen of New Mexico.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., April 8.—George Smith, a stock man of Horses Springs Ranch, Socorro County, has been murdered. Two unknown men rode up to Smith's ranch, and were asked to stay and have supper. After accepting the hospitality, and while all were sitting around the table talking, one man drew a gun and put five bullets into Smith's body, killing him almost instantly, while the other shot the cook, Frank Melville, three times, leaving him for dead also.

Melville managed to get to Baldwin's ranch, near by, where he gave the alarm. Melville states that there was no trouble of any kind. The strangers he took for cowboys, and says they commenced shooting after finishing their supper. Many of the friends of Smith believe that his murder was brought about by his appointment as receiver of the Horses Springs Cattle Company, which engendered a bitter feeling.

IN THE FLOODED DISTRICT.

Heavy Rains and Strong Winds in the Memphis Region.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 8.—Telegrams received to-night from the flooded areas of the Mississippi Delta report the situation unchanged. A heavy rain, accompanied by a strong northwest wind, has prevailed all the afternoon. The Flower Lake crevasse is 1,700 feet wide. Every effort is being made to tie the ends of the levee.

At Helena the river has fallen 2 feet and 11 inches since the levee gave way on Sunday. The backwater in the southern part of the city is at a standstill.

An Appeal from Greenville.

GREENVILLE, Miss., April 8.—In an appeal for aid sent to Gov. McLaurin by citizens of Greenville and vicinity the following statement is made:

"The population of the county is about 50,000, with upward of 10,000 head of mules and horses, exclusive of cattle. Over 40,000 of these people subsist upon weekly rations issued by planters and local merchants. The limited means of these are about exhausted, and their credit destroyed by the overflow.

"Thirty days will probably escape before it can be determined whether a crop can be made. If none can be made, the destitution will be incalculable. In the meantime we must appeal to the Government for aid during this period of waiting, in caring for these people and stock. Only actual necessities are desired, and such supplies can be disbursed without waste through the Government forces stationed at this point.

"We estimate it will require not less than $135,000 worth of supplies for this purpose during the ensuing thirty days for this county, and we earnestly request your aid in securing it."

Mr. Rolston Is Improving.

BABYLON, L. I., April 8.—Rosewell G. Rolston, who was stricken Friday afternoon while on his way home in this place, is somewhat improved. He is partially conscious at times and takes a little nourishment. He seems to recognize those about him. No definite change is expected for several days.

Died in a Dentist's Office.

MONTREAL, Quebec, April 8.—Mrs James Lang, wife of James Lang of the Lang Packing Company, died to-day in the dental office of Dr. Rondeau, while under the influence of ether, which had been administered by Dr. John Hutchinson.

NEW YORK EAST CONFERENCE.

Rule Governing the Transfer of Ministers to the Conferences Elicited a Warm Discussion.

The most interesting business of yesterday's session of the New York East Methodist Conference in St. John's Church, Bedford Avenue and Wilson Street, Brooklyn, was a discussion of this resolution, offered by Dr. Joseph Pullman:

"We hereby record our approval of the rule among the Bishops by which the transfer of a preacher from one conference to another requires the concurrent action of the Bishops of the two conferences concerned.

"In view of the unusual pressure upon the conference at this session, we respectfully request our own Bishop to make no transfer into the conference without a transfer of equal grade out of the conference."

Bishop Walden objected to the wording of the resolution. He said there was no such rule as was referred to. Dr. Pullman substituted the word "understanding," and then, speaking to his resolution, said the transfer system is the backbone of Methodism, but an unwise system of transfer is objectionable.

Mr. George Adams said every member of the Conference is willing to take his turn and go where he is sent, but inviting people outside the Conference savors of favoritism. "There are some stars," he continued, "among Methodist preachers who go from Conference to Conference, starring the connection, as it were. If they do not obtain just such appointments as they desire, something just in their grade, they apply for supernumerary grade and visit Europe on sick leave, with the permission of the Bishop, although they are in vigorous health."

Dr. David G. Downey, who is to be the next pastor of the wealthy St. John's Church, said the Bishops should transfer preachers to Conferences and not to churches Then the Presiding Elders of the Conferences could assign them where they were most needed. C. S. Williams said the habit of transferring as now carried out had created a condition of administrative confusion.

Bishop Walden held that the matter had been sufficiently discussed. The Conference adopted the resolution without a dissenting vote.

On a motion, it was decided that the Board of Examiners accept certificates from candidates for ordination only from the regular theological schools of the Church and from the universities and colleges approved by the University Senate.

GIFT TO THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

Mrs. Elmira Christian Adds $15,000 to Her Previous Donations.

Mrs. Elmira Christian of Brooklyn, widow of Hans Christian, has given to the Brooklyn Church Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church property worth $15,000. The announcement was made yesterday at the meeting of the New York East Conference.

The property deeded involves a lot 75 by 100 feet in President Street, near Clinton, upon which stands the old Curry mansion. The house is now occupied by the kindergarten school of the church society. A new building is to be erected, capable of accommodating 100 pupils. When this is finished the Curry School will be used by the society as a deaconesses' home. Mrs. Christian has already endowed the kindergarten with $10,000. This, together with the cost of the new building, estimated at $10,000, and her latest gift, will make $35,000 given to the society during the past year.

The Conference at Sing Sing.

SING SING, N. Y., April 8.—At the New York Conference session in the Highland Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church to-day the Treasurer reported that $1,690 had been received in the conference fund and $1,600 expended, leaving a balance on hand of $90.

Brother Philip Germond, representing the Kingston District, told the conference that there had been 1,400 new members in the district on probation during the past year. The salaries of many of the ministers were small and some remained unpaid. Twelve of the churches have been improved or rebuilt.

FOUR YEARS IN ONE POSITION.

Sailor Hoffman's Gruesome Anniversary in the Eastern District Hospital, Brooklyn — Has Taken on Weight.

It was rather a gruesome anniversary that Henry Hoffman, a sailor, who has been for four years lying helpless in the Eastern District Hospital, had yesterday. He is paralyzed below the chest, and has lain continuously in one position ever since he was carried to the hospital.

Hoffman sailed into this port four years ago Wednesday night, on the English ship Silver Craig. Next morning, while unloading at the foot of Noble Street, Greenpoint, he was stunned by a spar which fell from the masthead to the deck and struck him on the back. When he was taken to the hospital, it was found that the seventh dorsal was splintered, and that all feeling was gone below the point of fracture. The physicians had Hoffman suspended in such a way as to stretch the vertebrae. While in this position he was incased in a plaster jacket, adjusted so as to keep the upper part of the body from resting on the spine. The jacket was worn for six months, and then removed.

The strangest thing about Hoffman's confinement is the increase in his weight. When he went into the hospital he weighed 150 pounds. Since then he has gained 70 pounds, and is in a fairly healthy condition considering the circumstances. Dr. Blaisdell, the house surgeon, and many physicians who have heard of the case and who have visited Hoffman, consider his increase in weight a most extraordinary. They think that he may live for years. Hoffman takes his misfortune philosophically. He often expresses a desire to visit objects of interest. Last Summer he wanted to see Coney Island, and his wish was gratified. Dr. Maher caused him to be stretched at full length on a coach, and in that position he enjoyed his ride down the boulevard to the island. When the weather becomes settled he will be taken across the bridge. He has never seen it. The Silver Craig came up East River at night, when Hoffman was asleep in his bunk.

Up to a little while, six months ago, the British Government paid the hospital authorities $300 a year for Hoffman's board. Through the British Consul, Hoffman was notified that the Government could pay his board no longer, as he had been sick beyond the limits. The hospital people have treated him as a pay patient ever since, and although they expect no money, they propose to do everything for him that lies in their power. Hoffman is a native of Gresen, Germany. His father is a school teacher in that town.

Mr. Platt to be Here To-night.

Word was received by some of Senator Platt's friends at the Fifth Avenue Hotel last night that the Senator would be in this city to-night. If Mr. Platt is in town Sunday, there will be a meeting of his "Sunday school class," and a final determination will be reached upon all bills pending in Albany of a political or semi-political character.

Amateur Championships Settled.

The final bouts in the amateur boxing tournament of the Bohemian Sporting Club brought a good crowd to the clubhouse last night. The bouts were fast and some furious. Jerry Murphy of the Kenmore Athletic Club won the championship in the 118-pound class and Henry Sims of the Harry Fisher Athletic Club won in the 128-pound class.

Dying, He Wrote "Deiderich Mahlon."

At Bellevue Hospital yesterday Coroner Dobbs tried to take the ante-mortem statement of Richard Waldron transferred there suffering with a fractured skull. Waldron was unable to make any statement, but when a pencil was put in his hand he wrote the name "Deiderich Mahlon."

For the Josiah Porter Monument.

Capt. David Wilson, Secretary of the committee appointed by the National Guard Association, has reported an additional subscription for the monument to be erected to Major Gen. Josiah Porter of $100 from Col. Daniel Appleton. The total is now $1,522.

HEAVY STATE EXPENSES

It Looks as if the Promise to Reduce the Appropriations Might Not Be Kept.

THE EXCISE LAW REVENUE.

Rural Legislators Said to be Expecting Much More from the City Clubs Than Will Be Realized — Some Unusual Outlays.

ALBANY, April 8.—Such progress has been made with the appropriation bills that the total is estimated by members of the Ways and Means Committee to be between $20,000,000 and $21,000,000. If all of these bills which come out of the committee pass and are signed by the Governor, the tax rate will not be much, if any, lower than it was last year, because last year the appropriations, all told, amounted to about $21,000,000.

There have been some unusual appropriations calling for large amounts, which interfere with the original intention of keeping down expenses. These are, particularly, the Adirondack bill, which calls for $1,000,000; the Capitol Completion bill, which, according to present indications, will be $1,200,000, and the canal appropriations, other than those authorized in the special nine-million-dollar appropriation of two years ago.

Another large appropriation bill which was reported from the Ways and Means Committee Wednesday relates to the distribution of the money received from the direct tax levied on this State during the war for the preservation of the Government. This amounts to a little more than $2,200,000. A few weeks ago Assemblyman Roehr of Kings County introduced a bill to distribute this money among those who had originally contributed it. It was returned to the State by the Federal Government about seven years ago, when Mr. Hill was Governor, and became a part of the general fund. Mr. Roehr's bill was prepared in response to a petition in which it was set forth that this money was simply turned over to the State to be held in trust for those who had originally contributed it.

Assemblyman Hoes of Columbia County introduced a bill which represented more nearly the idea of the rural members to apply this money to the payment of taxes, without reference to the persons who had originally contributed it, and the committee reported his bill with some amendments. As it stands now, the Controller is directed to distribute this money equally among the sixty counties. Records have been looked up to show that, if it were distributed to those who claim it under Mr. Roehr's bill, 60 or 70 per cent. of the entire amount would go to New York City and Brooklyn.

The appropriation for the completion of the Capitol has not been definitely fixed. There have been several conferences on the subject between Commissioner Perry, Superintendent Aldridge, under whose charge the Capitol work is now placed, and the consulting architect of the department, and in a few days the bill will be prepared, based upon the best estimates which can be made.

The rural statesmen have been expecting a large increase in revenue from the amendments to the Raines liquor tax law. Just what may be expected from this source is very uncertain. Mr. Raines has computed that the loss from evasions of the law by bogus clubs is more than $2,000,000, and some have jumped to the conclusion that this amount would be derived from the sale of tax certificates if all the clubs were brought under the operation of the law. Inasmuch as many of the clubs now doing business would refuse to take out a license and pay the $800 in New York, the net revenue to be derived from the taxation of the clubs is so indefinite a quantity that it has not figured in the estimates of the Chairmen of the Ways and Means Committee and the Committee on Finance.

The Supplemental Supply bill has been roughly drawn up, but it will not be introduced for a week yet. It is estimated that the total in the Supplemental Supply bill will be kept down to $250,000.

COL. C. L. BEST DEAD.

He Was Twice Promoted for Bravery During the War.

Clermont L. Best, a retired Colonel of the United States Army, died yesterday at his home, 55 East Sixty-seventh Street, in his seventy-third year.

He was graduated from West Point in 1847, and was first appointed to the First Artillery as brevet Second Lieutenant. In 1849 and in 1856-7 he was on service against the Seminoles in Florida; in 1857 he was on frontier duty, quelling the disturbances in Kansas.

When the civil war began he was appointed Captain of the Fourth Artillery, in command of a battery, with Gen. Banks, in Maryland. He served as Chief of Artillery of the Fifth Army Corps in the Northern Virginia campaign of 1862, and did excellent service in the battle of Cedar Mountain.

His bravery at Chancellorsville and Gettysburg was rewarded with successive promotions that made him Brevet Lieutenant Colonel, and at the end of the war, in recognition of his services, he was breveted Colonel.

After the war he served as Major of the First Artillery. He was in garrison at Fort Delaware, Delaware; at Key West, Fla.; at Fort Independence, Massachusetts, and at Fort Warren, Massachusetts. In 1888 he was made Colonel of the Fourth Artillery, and commanded the post of Fort Adams, Rhode Island, until April 25, 1888, when he was retired.

ADVANCES IN THE ARMY.

Officers Who Will Be Promoted When Another Colonelcy Is Vacant.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The next vacancy in the list of Colonels of infantry, whether caused by the promotion of Col. Shafter, First Regiment, to a Brigadier Generalship or by the retirement of Col. William L. Kellogg, Fifth Infantry, will result in the promotion of the following:

Lieut. Col. H. C. Cook, Fourth Infantry, to Colonel, First Infantry; Major A. H. Bainbridge, Tenth Infantry, to Lieutenant Colonel, Fourth Infantry; Capt. R. I. Eskridge, Twenty-third Infantry, to Major, Tenth Infantry; First Lieut. A. C. Ducat, Twenty-fourth Infantry, to Captain, Twenty-fourth Infantry, vice Capt. J. N. Morgan, who retires from active service; First Lieut. S. O. O'Connor, Twenty-third Infantry, to Captain, vice Eskridge; Second Lieut. P. A. Wolf, Third Infantry, to First Lieutenant, Twenty-fourth Infantry; Second Lieut. H. G. Lyon, Seventeenth Infantry, to First Lieutenant, Twenty-third Infantry.

COMING EVENTS.

M. H. Harris will lecture to-night at Temple Israel of Harlem on "Seeing Visions."

"Social Evolution" will be discussed this evening at the Manhattan Liberal Club, 220 East Fifteenth Street, by Moses Hall.

An exhibition of recent American book bindings in leather will be opened to-morrow by the Grolier Club, 29 East Thirty-second Street. It will be kept open for two weeks.

"A Message of Ethics to Young Men and Women" will be the subject of M. M. Mangasarian's second lecture at the Pouch mansion, 345 Clinton Avenue, Brooklyn, Sunday evening.

The sixth of the half-hour noonday services for business men will be held in St. Paul's Chapel, Trinity Parish, to-day at noon. The Rev. Arthur Ritchie will deliver the address.

A dinner will be given to-morrow evening at the Windsor Hotel to the gentlemen who have been engaged in delivering free lectures to working people in the public schools during the Winter.

The Agassiz Association, Manhattan Chapter, will hold a meeting this evening at 139 East Fortieth Street. "Mountains," illustrated by photos and lantern slides, will be the subject of the lecture.

The members of the "H.P. B." Theosophical Society, 142 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street, will to-night entertain Ernest T. Hargrove, President of the Theosophical Society in America, Europe, India, and Australasia.

The Rough Riding Club of New York will give a tournament at Durland's Academy, Fifty-ninth Street and Eighth Avenue, to-morrow evening. The Riding Club of Pittsburg and the Riding and Driving Club of Brooklyn are to be the special guests.

DATE OF THE CANAL OPENING.

A Delay Until May 15 Is Caused by Necessary Repairs.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 8.—Superintendent of Public Works George W. Aldridge, State Engineer C. W. Adams, and Inspector of Canals Tubbs inspected the canal improvement work in the neighborhood of Buffalo to-day. This evening it was announced that the canal proper will not be open for navigation until about May 15.

This delay in opening will not retard navigation, however, as arrangements have been made for the passage of boats through the channel between the canal and the river. State Engineer Campbell estimated the cost of repairing the broken walls around Buffalo at $20,000.

PRIEST SAVES A GIRL'S LIFE.

Father Ward Jumps Into the Canal at Providence and Rescues Her.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., April 8.—The Rev. Thomas Ward, curate at the Church of the Immaculate Conception, jumped into the Blackstone Canal yesterday, and rescued five-year-old Maggie Leyden from drowning. The child fell into the canal while playing with a ball.

The priest heard her cries, and without considering the results plunged into the canal and soon had the half-drowned girl clasped in his arms. By the time the Rev. Father Ward reached the bank with the little girl Miss McCann, who lives near the scene, was on hand, and she took the exhausted girl to her home and treated her successfully.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN CONVENE.

An International Association in Session at Detroit.

DETROIT, Mich., April 8.—Many young women prominent in various lines of Christian educational work are among the 200-odd delegates to the sixth biennial convention of the International Association of Young Women's Christian Associations of the United States and Canada, which began to-day.

After devotional exercises by the Rev. James McGray of Boston, the Nominating Committee reported the following officers, who were confirmed:

President—Mrs. D. L. Wishard, New York; Vice Presidents—Mrs. F. F. McCrew, Indianapolis, and Mrs. John Harvey, Toronto; Secretaries—Misses Eva Severs and Teresa Hall, Chicago.

The report of the International Commission was submitted by the Chairman, Mrs. F. T. West of Chicago.

To-night a big audience listened to an address of welcome by the Rev. Dr. McLaurin, to which a response was made by the Rev. Dr. T. L. Cuyler of Brooklyn.

WANT THORNTON PARDONED.

Evidence that He Was Innocent of the Crime for Which He Is Serving.

AUBURN, N. Y., April 8.—The application for a pardon for Joseph Thornton, who is serving a fifteen-year sentence in Auburn Prison for burglary, will again come before the Governor on Monday next.

Thornton was convicted of bank burglary at Vernon, N. Y., and was sentenced by Judge Dunmore at Utica about three years ago. Since his conviction three other men have been arrested for the same crime. They confessed their guilt and were sentenced to Auburn Prison, where they now are. In their confession they exonerated Thornton of any complicity in the crime.

Application was made to Gov. Morton for Thornton's pardon in the Fall of 1895. Letters were sent to him from Judge Dunmore, who sat in the case; from District Attorney Klock, who prosecuted it, and from Sheriff Weaver, who arrested the criminals, and to whom they made their confession; but the pardon was not granted.

TO CHECK CONSUMPTION.

Medical Men at Springfield, Ohio, Dealing with This Question.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, April 8.—The Clark County Medical Society, at its meeting here this afternoon, took steps to have local laws enacted to guard as much as possible against the spread of consumption.

Drs. Titlow, Vance, and Gotwald, to whom the matters had been referred, reported two ordinances which will be presented to the Council and Board of Public Affairs for passage. The first one provides for the semi-quarantine of consumptives, under the supervision of the Health Officer. Their sputum must be ejected in special receptacles.

The committee points out that in New York City the rate of deaths from consumption in the last fifteen years has increased 30 per cent.

The second ordinance provides against spitting in street cars and public places. The whole matter has been generally discussed here, and both ordinances are sure of adoption. Health Officer Seyser reported that the death rate here from consumption is 16 per cent. of all deaths, and will increase unless efforts are taken to stop the spread of bacilli through spitting on the street and public places.

WOMEN MAY BE SOLDIERS.

Singular Provision of the New Militia Law of Colorado.

DENVER, Col., April 8.—The new militia law passed by the last Assembly introduces one of the most startling revolutions in modern warfare that has yet been adopted by any civilized nation. Under its provisions the Colorado National Guard may in future be composed of both men and women.

Colorado, in adopting advanced ideas, has capped the climax after permitting women to vote, abolishing capital punishment, and allowing women to serve on the juries, by passing a law which enables them in the future to participate in actual warfare, side by side with man, her natural protector. Undoubtedly the question of uniforms will become an absorbing topic, and it may be that the War Department at Washington will have to decide as to whether bloomers or short skirts will be preferable as uniforms.

As to the officers of the new companies, until the women become familiar with the tactics and routine work of a regiment or battalion, the veterans of the Leadville City Hall and Cripple Creek campaigns will have to act as instructors.

Mrs. Gallagher Guilty of Arson.

BUFFALO, April 8.—The jury in the Criminal Term of the Supreme Court, which tried Mrs. Mary Maud Gallagher on a charge of having assisted Pearl Clifton in setting fire to the latter's house, brought in a verdict to-day of guilty of arson in the third degree. Mrs. Gallagher and Pearl Clifton, who pleaded guilty, will be brought up for sentence Monday.

Southern Pacific Officers.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.—The Directors of the Southern Pacific Railway to-day re-elected the officers of the company by unanimous vote.

YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

(From 12 o'clock Wednesday night until 12 o'clock Thursday night.)

9:55 A. M.—161 East One Hundred and Thirteenth Street; George Kapper; damage slight.

1:30 P. M.—133 Chrystie Street; William Teduite; damage slight.

2:15 P. M.—7 East Forty-seventh Street; William B. Dinsmore; damage, $6,000.

3:10 P. M.—437 East Ninety-second Street; unoccupied; damage, $100.

8:45 P. M.—94 Varick Street; occupant unknown; damage slight.

CEPHAS SOLD FOR $4,500

The Gelding Is Widely Known for His Record of 2:11 1-4, Made on a Half Mile Track.

OTHER TROTTERS AT AUCTION.

Robert Bonner Adds Lady Boone to His Stable—Who the Buyers Were and What They Purchased at the Horse Exchange.

Cephas, with a race record of 2:11¼, made on a half-mile track, was the chief attraction at the sale of trotters held at the American Horse Exchange yesterday. After some brisk bidding, in which J. T. Caldwell, J. F. Gibson, J. H. Butler, and H. B. Carroll took part, he was knocked down to J. H. Butler for $4,500.

Among those present were Robert Bonner, J. H. Shults, Capt. C. H. Macdonald, J. W. Clark, W. H. Clark, Fred Dietz, L. A. Burke, James Butler, W. E. Parsons, Jr., Matthew Riley, W. E. D. Stokes, W. K. C. Watson, L. W. Parker, and Charles Bates. Horses that sold for $200 or over are as follows:

PROPERTY OF JOHN P. GIBBS, CITY.

Cephas, b. g., 1887, by Cyril-Molly Matchless, by Matchless; J. Butler, city..... $4,500
Sister Rudd, b. f., 1895, by Potential-Fro Escape, by Nelson; H. B. Dodge, city... 500

PROPERTY OF WILSON BROTHERS, CAVE CITY, KY.

Royalist, b. h., 5, by Wren's Lexington, dam by Vidette Boy; C. T. Barney, City. $475
Rewarder, br. g., by Alkirk, dam by Blackwood, Jr.; J. F. Gibson, city..... 270
Diamond, ch. g., by Alkirk; J. Blackburn Miller, city..... 260
Radiet, ch. g., by Son of Interwood, dam by Hyperion; J. F. Gibson, city..... 350
Diamond King, ch. g., 5, by King Diamond, dam by Vidette Boy; J. E. French, city..... 500
Ed S., blk. g., 5, by Vinco, dam by Baywood; J. F. Gibson, city..... 275
Lady Lynn, br. m., by Lynn Boyd, dam by King Denmark; M. A. Putnam, city..... 270
Red Fern and Radiator, matched pair of bay geldings, 5 and 6 years, by Vidette Boy, dam by Blackwood, Jr.; H. J. Reuter, city..... 485

PROPERTY OF VARIOUS OWNERS.

Lulu, b. m., 1890, by Bayonne Prince; W. H. Clark, City..... 300
Gymnast, b. g., 1890, by Director-Aurora, by Thad Stevens; J. Alexander, Lynnbrook, L. I..... 260
Chief, br. g., 1888, by Hardwood; Dr. F. M. Donohue, New Brunswick, N. J..... 220
Tom and Jerry (a pair), bay geldings, 1891, by Hornell-Wilkes, dam by Abdallah Boy; A. H. Penner, City..... 475
H. S. M., 2:16½, blk. g., 1888, by Dixon's Hambletonian; H. S. Shults, East Williston, L. I..... 500
Cornelia, blk. m., 1888, by Wilton-Cornelia, by Colonel Bonner; Jacob Cohen, city.. 400
Anda, ch. m., 1891, by Joe Day-Lodi Belle, by Ledi; W. Klotz, city..... 260
Lady Boone, br. m., 1885, by Hambletonian Mambrino, Nancy Lee, by Dictator; Robert Bonner..... 250
Harry G., b. g., 1885, by James A. Garfield, dam by Nicotine; Dr. H. D. Hanson, city..... 425
Rosedale, b. h., 1892, by Sidney-Roseleaf, by Buccaneer; J. H. Shults, Brooklyn... 600
Sans Souci, ch. m., 1891, by Jerry-Miss Ray, by Buccaneer; E. A. Geoffry, Newark, N. J..... 285
La Crosse Girl, b. m., 1890, by Waxford-Fanny, by General Barton; Peter Manee, city..... 375
Maud H., ch. m., 1890, by Decorate-Golden Bird, by Golden Bow; J. H. Shults, Brooklyn..... 300

COMING STRUGGLE DISCUSSED.

Mason Builders Issue a Statement Touching Arbitration.

The Mason Builders' Association held a meeting last evening that lasted until midnight, and discussed the probable coming fight between it and the Board of Walking Delegates. The members of the association have received many letters asking why they were opposed to the Board of Walking Delegates, since it was in favor of settling disputes by arbitration, and they were themselves in favor of such methods.

The association issued a statement as an answer to these letters calling attention to the fact that for twelve years past it has maintained an Arbitration Board, consisting of its own members and representatives of the bricklayers' unions. A similar Arbitration Board has existed between it and the laborers for the past five years.

LOW PRICES FOR PICTURES.

Of Eighty Sold, Only Three Brought Over $50 Each.

A miscellaneous collection of oil paintings was sold at auction last night at the Fifth Avenue Auction Rooms. The attendance was small and most of those present were dealers. The majority of the paintings fetched little more than the value of their frames.

The first picture sold was L. Tremper's "Ready for the Bath." It brought $6. A landscape by John Williamson, New York, "The Favorite," by H. Byfelde, New York, and "Playing Mother," by P. Randell, New York, went for $3 each. Eighty pictures were sold in all, and only fifteen brought more than $25, the average being about half that amount. A landscape by George Inness brought $50. De La Croix's "Italian Seaport" sold for $72.50, the second highest price of the evening. "Sheep Shearing," by J. B. Hofner, Munich, brought $300. It was valued at $2,500. John D. Crimmins bought it.

Two Suicides in the Same House.

Henry Weis, fifty-three years old, janitor of the apartment house 228 Bloomfield Street, Hoboken, committed suicide yesterday in his apartments by shooting himself in the head. His body was discovered last night by Charles Funcke of 314 Garden Street, whom he had visited earlier in the day, and to whom he had made threats on his own life. Weis's wife had left him some time ago because of his intemperate habits. Mrs. Susan Baker killed herself in the same house last Saturday night by taking carbolic acid.

Five Escape, One Mortally Hurt.

A temporary staging at the third floor in the elevator shaft of the Queen Building, in course of completion, in Cedar Street, collapsed yesterday, while six plasterers were on it. Three of the men jumped in safety through the opening to the third floor. Two others fell three stories, and were slightly hurt. George Phelan of Third Avenue and One Hundred and Tenth Street landed on a pile of weights and fractured his skull. He was taken to the Hudson Street Hospital, where it was said he cannot recover.

May Be Campaigniac's Pocketbook.

John Bailey, twenty-five years old, who said he lives at 38 Cherry Street, was arrested in Fulton Market yesterday on the complaint of Emil Kirkerye, who said he saw him pick a man's pocket. When Bailey was searched in the Oak Street Station the police found a pocketbook which, from its contents, they believe to belong to Paul Campaigniac of 52 Broadway and 309 Hewes Street, Brooklyn.

Tammany Society Election.

The Tammany Society will hold its annual election for Sachems and officers on Monday, April 19. The committee named several weeks ago to select a ticket met yesterday and decided to submit the final revision of the ticket to a sub-committee of which John C. Sheehan was made Chairman.

New Water Supply for Hoboken.

The Board of Water Commissioners of Hoboken last night decided to advertise for a new water supply. The specifications will be upon the basis of fifteen, twenty, and twenty-five years, and the storage reservoir must have a capacity of 50,000,000 gallons.

Gave the Baby Carbolic Acid.

John O'Sullivan of 1,885 Third Avenue gave his five-day-old son a dose of carbolic acid Wednesday night in mistake for castor oil ordered by his doctor. The child died almost immediately. The Coroner decided that the death was the result of an accident.

LAWYER SUES FOR FEES.

Client Denies Indebtedness, and Says Visits Charged for Were Social Calls.

The trial of a suit by Samuel H. Randall, a lawyer, against Catherine Taylor, a well-to-do widow, for $125 for professional services, occupied Judge McCarthy and a jury all day yesterday in the City Court. After the jury deliberated more than an hour without reaching a verdict, Judge McCarthy instructed them to bring in a sealed verdict.

Mr. Randall claimed two fees of $25 each and one for $10 for visits paid to Mrs. Taylor at her home, 304 West Fifty-first Street, and $50 for defending an action brought against her. The balance of the amount is for consultations at his office. Mrs. Taylor denied that she owed the money; said she did not instruct Mr. Randall to defend any suit for her, and asserted that the visits he paid her were social calls.

RYAN SHOT HIS PRISONER.

The Man Was Endeavoring to Escape from Him.

John W. Bailey, an Inspector of the Building Department, on Tuesday instructed William Thornton to make some alteration in the class of work he was putting in a building at One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street and St. Nicholas Avenue. Thornton objected, and after some argument, knocked Bailey down and threw bricks at him.

Bailey made a complaint at the Harlem Police Court, and Court Policeman Daniel Ryan was sent with a warrant to arrest Thornton. He found him a few yards away from the house, and told him he was under arrest. Thornton started to run, and Ryan caught him in the hallway of the St. Nicholas Avenue House. Thornton resisted arrest and, according to the policeman's story, his brother, H. A. Thornton, caught hold of him and shouted to the prisoner to escape. While his arms were held, William Thornton struck him half a dozen times on the head with a mason's trowel.

Wrenching one of his hands free, Ryan drew his revolver and fired point blank at William Thornton. The ball struck him in the forehead, but glanced off without doing serious injury. Policeman Wolfe, attracted by the sound of the shot, arrested H. A. Thornton. Ryan, despite the wounds in his head, hung on to William Thornton, and both men were taken to the Harlem Police Court, where they were held for examination.

AT THE HOTELS.

Samuel D. Davis of Lakewood, N. J., is at the Plaza.

E. A. McAlpin and T. C. Stevenson of West Virginia are at the Gilsey.

C. A. Brayton of Cleveland, Ohio, and W. B. Dinsmore of this city are at the Windsor.

President Andrew A. Freedman of the New York Baseball Club is at the Netherland.

Elias Lyman of Burlington, Vt., and George R. Finch of Glens Falls, N. Y., are at the Grand.

A. L. Boulware of Richmond, Va.; Thomas K. Scott of Augusta, Admiral Montt of Chile, and T. M. Lanahan of Baltimore are at the Fifth Avenue.

Gen. W. F. Draper of Hopedale, Mass.; Oscar G. Murray of Baltimore, and John K. Cowen and M. G. Bulkeley of Hartford, Conn., are at the Waldorf.

ARRIVAL OF BUYERS.

Representatives of Out-of-Town Firms Now in the City.

Almy, Bigelow & Washburn, Salem, Mass.; H. Bott, house furnishing goods; 2 Walker Street; Broadway Central Hotel.

Adam, Meldrum & Anderson Company, Buffalo, N. Y.; A. Murdison, toys; 2 Walker Street; Broadway Central Hotel.

Adam, Meldrum & Anderson Company, Buffalo, N. Y.; M. Benson, carpets and upholstery goods; 2 Walker Street; Hotel Imperial.

Antrim, B. F. & Co., Titusville, Penn.; B. F. Antrim, dry goods; Broadway Central Hotel.

Anderson & McLaughlin, Latrobe, Penn.; J. B. Anderson, dry goods, &c.; Broadway Central Hotel.

Baer & Goldberg, Lancaster, Penn.; I. Goldberg, clothing; Grand Hotel.

Blake, Dowell & Helm, Baltimore, Md.; G. E. Dowell, millinery; Hoffman House.

Blake, Dowell & Helm, Baltimore, Md.; J. L. Blake, millinery; St. Denis Hotel.

Bradford, Thomas, & Co., Boston, Mass.; E. D. Bradford, dress goods, 29 Greene Street; Hotel Normandie.

Boston Dry Goods Company, Boston, Mass.; C. W. Whitten, silks and velvets, 8 Greene Street; Hotel Albert.

Casler, J. H. & B. P., Little Falls, N. Y.; J. H. Casler, notions; Continental Hotel.

Davenport Brothers & Jackson, Chattanooga, Tenn.; J. N. Jackson, notions; 63 Leonard Street; Colonnade Hotel.

Denholm, The, & McKay Company, Worcester, Mass.; J. A. Clark, furnishing goods; 2 Walker Street.

Dwelly & Co., Bangor, Me.; H. M. Dwelly, furnishing goods; Hotel Albert.

Flesh & Louis, Piqua, Ohio; L. M. Flesh, furnishing goods; Hotel Imperial.

Fitzpatrick & Draper, Troy, N. Y.; W. H. Fitzpatrick, cigars and tobacco, "wholesale"; Park Avenue Hotel.

Gale, The, & Frank Company, Milwaukee, Wis.; E. Phillips, ribbons, 238 Church Street; Hotel Imperial.

Glimbel Brothers, Philadelphia, Penn.; Miss S. McQuade, fancy and leather goods; 53 Franklin Street; Hotel Imperial.

Gross, Markie & Co., York, Penn.; J. S. Mackie, notions and cloaks; St. George Hotel.

Goldsmith Brothers & Co., Scranton, Penn.; S. Goldsmith, upholstery goods, carpets, and cloaks, 447 Broadway; Hotel Imperial.

Gunzer, J. F., Milton, Penn.; clothing; Continental Hotel.

Hartman, L. M., York, Penn.; dry goods; St. Denis Hotel.

Hamburger Brothers & Co., Baltimore, Md.; T. G. Hamburger, woolens; Hotel Manhattan.

Hart & Co., Cleveland, O.; F. W. Hart, millinery

ONLY ONE BID FOR ARMOR

Illinois Steel Company's Price Is $260 a Ton for the Illinois, Wisconsin, and Alabama.

WITH TWENTY-YEAR CONTRACT

Carnegie and Bethlehem Companies State They Are Unable to Bid Within the Price ($300) Fixed by Congress—Government Factory as an Alternative.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Navy Department received to-day but one bid in answer to the advertisement calling for proposals for supplying about 8,000 tons of armor for the three battleships, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Alabama, and this one was so irregular in form as to be far wide of the advertisement. The single bid was from the Illinois Steel Company of Chicago, and it proposed to supply the 8,000 tons of armor desired at $260 per ton on condition that it be given a twenty years' contract to supply all of the naval armor. In such a case the remainder of the armor beyond the 8,000 tons would be supplied at $240 per ton. The armor was to be paid for in gold coin. An alternative proposition contemplated the erection of an armor plant by the Government and its supply with steel by the Illinois Company. No awards have been made, and the whole matter probably will be referred to Congress.

Lieut. Stone was there for the Carnegie Company, Vice President Davenport and Messrs. Melgs and McElvane for Bethlehem, President Harrah and Mr. Petrie for the Midvale Steel Works, Charles Cramp for the Cramp Ship Building Works, William P. Palmer, Second Vice President of the Illinois Steel Company; Gen. Hyde, President of the Bath Iron Works; ex-Secretary Herbert, and a gathering of naval experts from the Ordnance, Engineering, and Construction Bureaus.

In view of the fact that the Congress by an amendment to the Naval Appropriation bill had limited the sum to be paid for armor for the three battle ships to a maximum of $300 a ton, as against about $500 a ton now paid, there was no surprise expressed by the persons present in the Secretary's office when Secretary Long announced that only one bid had been received, which was from the Illinois Steel Company of Chicago, a concern which now, for the first time, enters the field of competition for supplying the Government with armor. Before the bid was read, Lieut. Stone, for the Carnegie Company, and Vice President Davenport for the Bethlehem Company, presented to Secretary Long written statements for the reasons which had impelled these companies which have heretofore supplied all the armor used by the Government in building the new navy to refrain from submitting proposals in answer to the present advertisement. The proposals of the Illinois Steel Company were then read by the Judge Advocate General, not in the usual shape of a filled-in blank, which is supplied by the department, but in the shape of two typewritten proposals, addressed to the Secretary of the Navy.

Secretary Long this afternoon made public the letters received from the Carnegie and the Bethlehem Companies. President Schwab of the Carnegie Company writes that they are unable to bid, as, "with all our facilities, we cannot supply the Government with armor of the quality we are now making at that price, ($300.)"

Vice President and General Manager Sayre of the Bethlehem Iron Company says that, while the company cannot supply the small quantity of armor required at prices materially lower than those now paid, it still stands ready to sell its plant to the Government below cost, with a fair price to be fixed by suitable arbitration. If, however, Congress will remove the limitation on price, he believes he can agree with the department upon a fair price, not greater than that paid for similar armor by any other country in the world.

THE E. S. DEAN COMPANY.

Formally Barred from the Mails by Government Orders.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The E. S. Dean Company has been formally barred from the mails by "fraud orders" just issued by the Postmaster General. The orders are directed against the firm's offices in New York, Salt Lake City, Utah, and Vincennes, Ind., and name the following: E. S. Dean, E. S. Dean & Co., the E. S. Dean Company, Myron L. Bernard, Edward F. Farrand, and Goslin & Co.

George Norris, a lawyer of 29 Broadway and 170 Pacific Avenue, Jersey City, was on Wednesday appointed temporary receiver for the E. S. Dean Company of 35 Broadway, this city. The application was made in New Jersey by McBurney & McBurney, lawyers of 291 Broadway, in the interests of Myron L. Bernard, President of the E. S. Dean Company. Mr. Norris said last evening, at the office of McBurney & McBurney: "I know nothing of this concern. It is a corporation organized in New Jersey, and a receiver was appointed from that place. I am well known in Jersey City, and have resided at 170 Pacific Avenue for twelve years."

The papers were mailed to the Chancellor last night. Mr. Norris said their contents could not be made known at present.

Lawyers who represent creditors of the E. S. Dean Company, including Robert J. Knox, who is looking after the interests of several persons who intrusted the firm with money, will probe as deeply as may be possible into the receivership proceedings, as many regard them as in the interest of the stockholders of the company. Mr. Norris is, however, only temporary receiver. So far, access to such books as the firm kept has not been had, because they are in the hands of the Sheriff. The balance to the credit of the E. S. Dean Company, the amount of which is kept a secret, in the Leather Manufacturers' Bank was attached yesterday.

Stock-Broking Firm Raided.

Central Office detectives raided the stock-broking office of Lathrop & MacAlpin, in the Imperial Hotel, yesterday, and arrested Leslie Lathrop and Reynold P. MacAlpin. The raid was made on information given by H. H. Parr of 123 West Forty-fifth Street, a telegraph operator, lately in the employ of the firm. Magistrate Crane, in Jefferson Market Court, held both partners for examination.

SMITH COLLEGE GIRL PLEADS.

Miss Neally Gives Bail to Northampton to Appear for Trial in June.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., April 8.—Miss Caroline B. Neally, the young woman charged with the various larcenies from the college houses, was arraigned in court to-day. Miss Neally was accompanied by her uncle and Mr. Fearing of this city, who were to act as her sureties, and some female friends. Judge Fargo of East Hampton presided.

After the complaint had been read, the defendant pleaded guilty in a low but distinct voice. Bail was placed at $500 for her appearance at the Superior Court in June.

Miss Neally did not leave the Court House for about half an hour, apparently wishing to escape the eyes of the large crowd of morbid curiosity seekers who had congregated. Then she hurried into her carriage and was driven rapidly away.

The strange part of the case is why Miss Neally, who had plenty of money and is a refined young lady, should place herself in the position of a sneak thief. Many of the college girls were in the crowd at the rear of the court room, and expressed a great deal of sympathy for the prisoner.

Shinnecock Indians Election.

SOUTHAMPTON, L. I., April 8.—The Shinnecock tribe of Indians has elected three Trustees for the year to come. There were two parties in the field, known as the Progressive Party and the Hill Party. The former put into nomination Charles S. Bunn, John H. Thompson, and Wilton Beeman; the latter named Allen Bunn, Joshua Kellis, and Fred Bunn. The Progressive Party won by a vote of 16 to 12.

CONSULS ASK THE OLD FEES.

They Do Not Like the Curtailment of Earnings Which Secretary Olney Brought About.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Considerable pressure is being brought to bear upon the President to secure a repeal of some Consular regulations promulgated by Secretary Olney last October, which in effect largely curtail the big fees which have been received by some Consular officers. The order practically did away with the requirement in all cases of an oath to invoices by an exporter. The result was that many Consuls, who were in the habit of dividing fat fees with British Commissioners empowered to administer such oaths, lost these returns. They were in the eye of the department illegal, for they were not returned in the statements of fees required to be made to the department by statute, and there was no warrant for the retention of any other class of fees.

Now the applicants for the Consular places have discovered that a large percentage of the returns of their prospective offices has been cut off by Secretary Olney's order, and so the places are less desirable. At one British port the Consul last year secured nearly $8,000 in such fees, which he pocketed. In addition the business of the exporters was seriously delayed by the necessity for appearing in the very limited hours set by the Consuls for the reception of invoices, and altogether the practice was regarded by Secretary Olney as improper.

BOYNTON SUCCEEDS FULLERTON.

Reorganization of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga Park Commission.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The reorganization of the Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Park Commission, necessitated by the recent death of the Chairman, Gen. J. S. Fullerton, was perfected by Secretary Alger to-day. Gen. Henry V. Boynton, who has assisted the commission in historical work, was transferred to full membership in the commission and appointed Chairman. Gen. H. M. Duffield was appointed to the vacancy caused by Gen. Boynton's promotion. The other members of the commission are Gen. A. P. Stewart and Major F. G. Smith, United States Army. The latter is Secretary.

Gen. Duffield, the new member, is a resident of Detroit, Mich. He was an active participant in the battles of Chickamauga and Chattanooga. He is an officer of the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, and was its orator on the occasion of the dedication of the statue of President Garfield in this city.

Gen. Boynton, the new Chairman of the commission, has been perhaps the most active member of the commission for some years, and it was due largely to his efforts that the park was established. He participated in all the engagements about Chattanooga as commanding officer of the Thirty-fifth Ohio. He is a newspaper writer of high standing.

TO BE A BRIGADIER GENERAL.

President McKinley Yesterday Nominated Col. William Rufus Shafter.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The President to-day nominated Col. William Rufus Shafter, First Infantry, to be Brigadier General.

Col. William R. Shafter entered the army at the opening of the war as a volunteer, being First Lieutenant of the Seventh Michigan Volunteer Infantry, and served throughout the war with credit. He was brevetted Colonel for gallant service at the battle of Fair Oaks, Va., and Brigadier General of Volunteers for services during the war. In July, 1866, he was appointed Lieutenant Colonel of the Forty-first Infantry in the regular establishment, and became Colonel of the First Infantry in March, 1879. He has held that command ever since. His present station is at San Francisco, where he has acted as Commander of the Department of California during the absences of Gen. Forsyth. He is the senior Colonel of the line.

Fourth-Class Postmasters.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Fourth-class Postmasters for New York offices were appointed to-day as follows: Aurelius—John Murray; Chestnut Ridge—R. D. Butler; Delevan—E. L. Whiting; German—E. P. Pember; Lake Road—F. M. Bradley; Lamont—E. E. Van Slyke; Martinsville—C. A. Graf; Middle Falls—Alden M. Crandal; Phillips Creek—H. H. Watson; Pleasant Plains—Irving Burger; Point Chautauqua—J. L. Bagley; West Dryden—George Primrose.

Treasury Applications.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Additional applications for appointment to Presidential offices under the Treasury Department have been filed as follows:

F. A. Holden of Hyattsville, Md., Deputy Auditor for the Interior Department.

J. W. Parker, Appraiser of Merchandise at Boston.

A. J. Bowler, Collector of Internal Revenue at Albany, N. Y.

MR. ROOSEVELT'S SUCCESSOR.

Reports About the City Hall, Which Had No Basis.

There was a rumor about the City Hall yesterday that the Mayor was going to appoint Deputy Street-Cleaning Commissioner Gibson as Police Commissioner to succeed Mr. Roosevelt. The story originated in the fact that Col. Waring, Capt. Gibson, and the Mayor talked together concerning street cleaning matters during the day. Mayor Strong said that the report was absurd. Capt. Gibson is a Democrat.

"You boys," said the Mayor to the reporters, "know just as much about the selection of Mr. Roosevelt's successor in the Police Board as the Mayor of the City of New York does."

James W. Perry and various other Republicans were talked of yesterday in connection with the appointment. An intimate friend of the Mayor said: "After all the speculation is over, you will probably find that the Mayor will select some one whose name has not yet been mentioned."

The Mayor said yesterday that he had talked with only one man about the appointment and that man had declined to be considered as a candidate for the place. Who this man was the Mayor would not say.

Charged with Robbing His Mother.

James Colgan, sixteen years old, of 701 Second Avenue, and Louis Jacobs, twenty-two years old, of 330 East Forty-second Street, were arraigned in Jefferson Market Court yesterday accused of grand larceny, and were remanded to the custody of the Detective Bureau. Colgan disappeared from his home Wednesday, and his mother missed jewelry valued at $1,200. The lad was arrested a few hours later, in company with Jacobs, at Thirty-fourth Street and Seventh Avenue. Part of the jewelry and pawntickets for the rest were found on him.

Found His Father Dead.

Charles Harrigan, sixty-nine years old, a bricklayer, of 317 East Thirty-ninth Street, who was stricken with apoplexy while at work at 51 Warren Street Wednesday, died yesterday morning in the Hudson Street Hospital. His son, John Harrigan, alarmed at his father's absence from home all night, made a tour of the hospitals seeking news of him. He arrived at the Hudson Street Hospital less than an hour after the old man died.

Said She Feared Her Husband.

Detective Cox of the Leonard Street Station, while at Broadway and Franklin Street yesterday afternoon, was approached by a woman, well dressed, but greatly excited, who said that she wished to be protected from her husband, who had said that he wished to take her life. She said that her name was Emily Matthiessen, and that she lived at 184 Carleton Avenue, Brooklyn. She was taken to the insane pavilion of Bellevue Hospital.

Will of Thomas Finegan.

The will of Thomas Finegan, who died March 24, was filed yesterday for probate. The estate is valued at $30,000, of which the Home for the Aged is to receive $2,000 and St. Joseph's Hospital and the Little Sisters of the Poor of New York and the Little Sisters of the Poor of St. Francis $1,000 each. The remainder, with the exception of some small bequests to relatives, is left to his widow, who is named, jointly with Robert Tucker, as executor.

JOINED THE CITIZENS' UNION

Brookfield Forces Have Decided to Co-operate with It in the Next Campaign.

ON A NON-PARTISAN BASIS.

Resolutions Pledging the Support of the Organization Adopted at a Meeting Held at Lyric Hall.

The Republican organization of the City and County of New York, which is the anti-Platt or Brookfield organization, decided last night to co-operate with the Citizens' Union movement in favor of non-partisan government of the Greater New York. The Committee on Organization of the anti-Platt movement met at Lyric Hall, Sixth Avenue, near Forty-second Street.

William Brookfield, for personal reasons, resigned the Chairmanship, but his political interests are still wholly with the organization. Gen. Wager Swayne was re-elected as his successor, and Mr. Brookfield was Chairman of a committee that waited upon Gen. Swayne and escorted him to the meeting.

Gen. Swayne made a speech in accepting the Chairmanship, in which he pointed out that National and State politics were now wholly divorced from local politics. Tammany Hall had long ago dropped politics for "boodle," and the thing to do was to see that Tammany didn't get the "boodle." Gen. Swayne said that when the City Government is dishonest two things always happen. The rich pay and the poor suffer. He said that the party that fathered such a thing was not a party, but a fraud. The controversy this year is to be between good government and fraud. Gen. Swayne approved of the Citizens' Union, and said that the "flag of the Citizens' Union should be made our flag until the coast is clear for the party flag."

Resolutions were then adopted declaring that it was the opinion of the members of the association that they should co-operate with the Citizens' Union in the local campaign of this Fall, and that everything possible should be done to secure a proper administration for the Greater New York.

W. S. Bagg was elected Vice Chairman of the organization, F. C. Langley Secretary, and E. J. Tucker Treasurer. On motion of Thomas F. Eagan, Silas C. Croft was indorsed for Surveyor of the Port. A Committee of Three was appointed to go to Albany in the interest of an honest primary law, and to oppose any unjust discrimination against independent candidates upon the local tickets.

CITIZENS' UNION AT WORK.

Headquarters Secured and a Finance Committee Appointed.

The Citizens' Union has rented 39 East Twenty-third Street as headquarters, and will move in next week. The house is between Fourth and Madison Avenues, and central and accessible from all parts of the city. The work of enrollment and organization will be begun immediately and pushed vigorously.

The Finance Committee has been appointed by Mr. Cutting as follows: J. Kennedy Tod, Chairman; Charles Stewart Smith, Jacob H. Schiff, Charles T. Barney, W. Lanman Bull, Woodbury Langdon, John Harsen Rhoades, Charles Lanier, and R. Somers Hayes.

The Executive Committee has been actively at work since its recent organization, meeting as a whole and in sub-committees. These sub-committees cover various phases of the work, such as enrollment, press and campaign literature, committees for the extension of the work among business men, and among wage earners, committees to confer with similar committees in Brooklyn, and Queens and Richmond Counties, in case of the adoption of the Greater New York charter, committee on headquarters, committee on speakers and meetings, &c.

THE SOUND-MONEY LEAGUE.

It Issues the First Number of a Monthly Paper.

CHICAGO, April 8.—The National Sound Money League, the headquarters of which are in this city, has just issued the first number of a monthly paper entitled "Sound Money."

It advocates the gold standard, the gradual retirement of greenbacks, and the enlargement of National bank circulation. The officers of the league are: George E. Leighton, St. Louis, President; Gustav H. Schwab, Chairman of the Executive Committee; A. P. Hepburn, New York, Treasurer; C. L. Hutchinson, Chicago, Associate Treasurer, and E. V. Smalley, Chicago, General Secretary.

The league is a non-partisan organization.

A Demand for Monetary Reform.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 8.—The Executive Committee of the Indianapolis Monetary Reform Convention has asked further aid of the commercial organizations of the country. Blank copies of a petition are being sent out from this city to the Secretaries of Boards of Trade and other commercial organizations, and also to all who attended the convention as delegates. The petition is addressed to the Senators and Representatives, and urges the necessity of reform in the National currency and banking legislation. A letter accompanying this petition is signed by H. H. Hanna.

MR. WEISENBERGER'S ARREST.

Sequel to an Action Against Him for Breach of Promise.

CHICAGO, April 8.—David Weisenberger of New York was arrested to-day in the Café Brauer on a judgment for breach of promise damages. The caplas was filed by Mrs. Bertha Goldstein, née Robinson.

Weisenberger is a jeweler, and became engaged to the woman, so she alleges, but failed to appear on the wedding day. In October a jury in Judge Giegerich's court gave her a verdict of $5,000. Efforts to get service on Weisenberger failed, until to-day, when a Deputy Marshal found him lunching at a café.

BURGLARS VISITED THE HOUSE.

The Summer Residence of Mrs. William E. Curtis Ransacked.

WATERTOWN, Conn., April 8.—The magnificent Summer residence of Mrs. William E. Curtis, mother of William E. Curtis, the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury under the recent Cleveland Administration, has been visited by burglars, but the extent of the loss will not be known until the arrival of some member of the family.

The principal damage was done in the library, which was turned topsy-turvy, many valuable volumes being thrown about in a ruthless manner. The house has been entirely unoccupied during the Winter, and the burglary was not discovered until to-day, when the hired man visited the place to make preparations for the return of the family from their Winter sojourn at Washington.

It is feared that the loss will be heavy.

Admiral Montt at West Point.

HIGHLAND FALLS, N. Y., April 8.—Admiral Jorge Montt, ex-President of the Chilean Republic, will visit West Point on Saturday morning. An Admiral's salute will be fired and a review given in his honor in the afternoon.

Passenger Died on Arrival.

William Nicholas, twenty-one years old, a passenger on the steamer Mobile, died of consumption on board the vessel yesterday at Quarantine. His body was brought to the city on board the steamship.

The Iowa Sails for Philadelphia.

BOSTON, April 8.—The battleship Iowa sailed from her anchorage, below Boston Light, at 7 o'clock this morning for Philadelphia.

LEGAL NOTES.

FALSE STATEMENT OF HOUSEKEEPER THAT SHE WAS UNMARRIED.—The late Eckford Webb, who died in 1893, by his will gave to his housekeeper, Mrs. Jessie Belknap Ranken, $5,000 and a house and lot, in case she remained with him until he died. Mr. Webb was then about sixty-five years old and had no immediate family, his wife and children having died some years before. He was excessively corpulent, and required many attentions to his personal wants. He had discharged his former housekeeper in April, 1880, upon her announcement of her intention to marry. Mrs. Ranken, representing herself to Mr. Webb as being single, obtained the position of housekeeper for him in August, 1891, and remained with him two years, until his death. William H. Janes, who was a legatee under the residuary clause of the will, petitioned the Surrogate to revoke the probate of the clause in favor of Mrs. Ranken, upon allegations that it was procured by fraud and deceit. The Court of Appeals has affirmed the decisions of the late General Term of the Second Department in favor of Mrs. Ranken, holding that a provision made by a testator for a housekeeper, whom he believed to be unmarried, in a case where it appeared that the testator had no intention of marrying her and only desired her care and her society, would not be avoided by reason of her false statement to him that she was unmarried.

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FOR LOSS OF HER HUSBAND.—Marcus Reich, while fishing from a small boat at anchor in Hempstead Harbor, with two companions, was killed by the boat being run down by a schooner belonging to Henry A. Peck and others. The Court of Appeals has affirmed a judgment for $4,500, secured by Yette Reich, as administratrix, in a suit for damages against the owners of the vessel, by reason of their alleged negligence. The defendant's counsel requested the Trial Judge to charge that, "if there was any negligence by his (the decedent's) companions in the rowboat, which contributed to the accident, such negligence is chargeable as matter of law to the deceased, and the plaintiff cannot recover." It did not appear from the evidence who owned the rowboat, or whether it was hired, or how the men came to go, or what part each took in the management of the boat further than that deceased was in the middle of the boat and did the rowing; that one of his companions dropped the anchor, and that the other was told not to mind anything, but just to sit in the stern of the boat. The Court held that the facts were insufficient to show that the deceased was in any way responsible for the conduct of his associates in the boat, or that their negligence, if any, was imputable to him, and that the refusal of the Court to charge as requested was proper.

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TESTATOR'S ANGER AND ILL WILL.—A decision of the late General Term of the Supreme Court in Brooklyn, sustaining the admission to probate of the will of Adrian M. Suydam, has now been affirmed by the Court of Appeals, on the opinion of Justice Cullen. The appeal was by Leah V. C. Naul and others, nieces of the testator, who were disinherited by him. It appeared that some years ago the deceased had taken offense at some conduct of his brother, father of the appellants, and that his feelings were further embittered by the fact that another brother, Jacob, left the greater portion of his property to these nieces, giving him simply a burial plot; and that this animosity continued until his death. Another point set forth by the appellants was that the lawyer who drafted the will got a legacy of $5,000. The court holds that the rule that prevails as to transactions intervivos between clients and attorneys does not apply to a will made by the client in favor of his attorney; also that the anger and ill will of a testator, however unjustifiable, cannot of themselves defeat his last will and testament. "The feelings may have been unkind, uncharitable, and even wicked," Justice Cullen says, "but unfortunately they are not wholly unknown in the history of human nature. Certain it is that no subject breeds more bitter family dissentions or quarrels than what are regarded as unfair dispositions of the family heritage. These feelings often far outweigh any grief at the loss of the deceased."

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AGREEMENT TO GIVE "EXCLUSIVE SALE" TO BROKER.—Ellworth R. Bathrick's suit for damages from Charles E. Coffin, for breach of contract to give plaintiff the "exclusive sale" of a tract of land consisting of 230 lots at Saybrook, N. J., was dismissed on the trial, but the Second Appellate Division has directed a reversal. Presiding Justice Goodrich, who gives the opinion, holds that the word "exclusive" involves an idea of the permanence of the broker's employment, at least until he has had a reasonable time to fulfill the contract, unless some good reason is shown for a termination of the contract by the owner. It appeared that the contract was made in the Summer, that the agent thereafter opened an office in the City of New York, organized excursions to the property, advertised it, and succeeded in selling a large number of lots, thereby expending the greater part of the moneys which he had then received under the terms of payment to him. The Court considered that the action of the owner in arbitrarily discharging the plaintiff early in the following December, was unauthorized, and that the broker had made out at least a prima facie case for the submission of his claim to the jury.

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ATTORNEY AND CLIENT.—Charles Howard Williams, an attorney, who sought to recover for services rendered to Mary E. Lewis, the defendant in a habeas corpus proceeding, which resulted in her discharge from an asylum in which she was confined, offered on the trial, as evidence to show that he was retained by the petitioner herself and not by a society known as "The Anti-Kidnapping League," the stenographer's minutes taken in the habeas corpus proceeding in which it was stated that the attorney appeared for the petitioner; and, later, "Mary E. Lewis, the petitioner, being duly sworn," &c. The Second Appellate Division has reversed the judgment given below for the plaintiff, holding, in an opinion by Justice Cullen, that such minutes show only the stenographer's conclusion that Mary E. Lewis was the petitioner, and were incompetent; that the testimony of the physician in charge of the asylum, given in the habeas corpus proceeding, was plainly hearsay, and also incompetent. The court also held that in such a case a decree giving a construction to the will of the defendant's father, showing the amount of her income, or in the event of her incapacity, that of her trustees, was inadmissible, as the compensation due the attorney was the reasonable value of his services, and was in no way dependent on the wealth of his client.

No Change in Towing Rates.

Officers of the Cornell Steamboat Company and William E. Cleary, agent of the Erie Boatmen's Transportation Company, yesterday discredited a rumor that an increase of rates for towing was contemplated. The rumor grew out of the appointment by the Canal Boat Owners and Commercial Association of a committee to consider the rate question. The Cornell people say they have no intention of increasing the present rates that have been observed for twenty years. The regular rates during that period, excepting times of short-lived rate wars, have been $25 for Erie canal boats from Albany to New York, and $18 for Northern canal boats. From this city to Albany the rates have been $18 on loaded canal boats for both Erie and Lake Champlain Canals, and $12 on light boats.

X Rays Found the Bullet.

Prof. Osterburgh of Columbia University, this city, performed a successful operation yesterday with the aid of X rays at the S. R. Smith Infirmary, New Brighton, S. I. He located the bullet with which William McAlarney of Stapleton was shot during a row with Patrick Sheridan on Saturday night. It was found lodged alongside the left side of the spinal column. It was then extracted without difficulty.

Death from a Fractured Skull.

John Shelly, aged sixty years, of Eighth Street, College Point, L. I., died Wednesday night from a fractured skull. He fell down stairs Wednesday morning at his home, and, striking on his head, received the injury which resulted in his death.

Hood's Pills

Win favor everywhere because they are so easy to take, so gentle, yet reliable, in fact, perfectly satisfactory as a family cathartic. Cure sick headache, biliousness, indigestion, nausea, bad taste. 25c.

NEWS OF THE RAILROADS

Conference of Presidents of the Joint Traffic Association's Roads and East Bound Lines.

ON LAKE AND RAIL RATES.

Chauncey M. Depew Presided—Several Questions Considered Incidentally, but Then Left to the Board of Control, to Meet April 13.

Chairman Chauncey M. Depew of the Board of Control of the Joint Traffic Association presided yesterday at a meeting at the Central Building of Presidents of some of the association lines. Besides the officials there were present Commissioner G. R. Blanchard of the Joint Traffic Association, and Commissioner J. F. Goddard of the Trunk Line Association.

When the meeting adjourned this announcement was made officially: "The meeting of to-day was a conference of the Presidents of the trunk lines with the Presidents of the east-bound railways from Chicago and the Board of Managers to consider east-bound lake and rail rates, as compared with all-rail rates from Lake Michigan and Lake Superior ports. Other questions were only considered incidentally, and no action was taken beyond a recommendation of the gentlemen present that a meeting of the Board of Control be held in New York on Tuesday next, the 13th inst., to consider all subjects which might then be called up in connection with rates, the rights of the association under the decision of the Supreme Court, &c."

With the officials identified with the Joint Traffic Association were President Samuel Spencer of the Southern Railway and several officers of railroads which were members of the Trans-Missouri Association, or of Western roads not affiliated with the Eastern organization. A rumor that these officials were present to present or discuss a plan by which Western roads would under certain conditions join the Joint Traffic Association was denied.

UNION PACIFIC FORECLOSURE.

The Liens and the Amounts Which Are Involved.

The mortgages on the lines of the Union Pacific system will be soon foreclosed. Proceedings to that end are being actively conducted in Boston. The mortgages, amounts, and Trustees are: Union Pacific, main line, $40,000,000, United States lien; Union Pacific, main line, $27,229,000, F. Gordon Dexter, Oliver Ames; Kansas Pacific, Eastern Division, $2,240,000, H. M. Alexander, J. F. Dillon; Kansas Pacific, Midland Division, $4,063,000, J. F. Dillon, J. A. Stewart; Kansas Pacific, $12,000,000, United States lien; Kansas Pacific, consolidated mortgage, $11,724,000, Russell Sage, George J. Gould; Denver Pacific Line, $975,000, Russell Sage, George J. Gould. This makes a total of $98,231,000. Testimony in foreclosure is to be taken in Boston, New York, Washington, and Omaha.

RAILROAD TAX REDUCED.

New York, Pennsylvania, and Ohio Wins Its Appeal in Pennsylvania.

HARRISBURG, Penn., April 8.—Judge Simonton to-day handed down an important opinion in the case of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania against the New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio Railroad Company. The company owned a railroad from Salamanca, N. Y., to Dayton, Ohio, 429 miles in length, of which 126 miles were in Pennsylvania.

The Auditor General charged a tax upon a valuation of $84,480,000, amounting to $172,402.88. An appeal was taken. Judge Simonton finds that the value of the stock for taxation is $15,000,000, upon which the whole tax, at five mills, would amount to $75,000. The tax in this State upon this basis will be a little less than $25,000.

Canadian Pacific Meeting.

MONTREAL, Quebec, April 8.—At the annual meeting of the Canadian Pacific Railway recent losses in earnings were ascribed to a small wheat crop and general business depression. An increase was reported of 21 per cent. in freight and passenger business on the Pacific Division, due to mining in British Columbia. Estimates were adopted for expenditures of $2,887,737, including the purchase of the Montreal and Western Railway by sixty semi-annual installments of $14,000 each. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors the old officers and Executive Committee were re-elected.

Pacific Road Debts to the Nation.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Senator Gear of Iowa to-day made a report on the bill to authorize a commission consisting of the Secretaries of the Treasury and the Interior and the Attorney General to adjudge the debts of the Pacific railroads to the Government. The report reviews in detail the financial condition of the roads and their relations to the Government, and expresses approval of the plan to permit the executive offices of the Government with the approval of the President to make an adjustment with the owners of the property.

New Corporation in New Mexico.

The Pecos Valley Railroad and Construction Company has been incorporated in New Mexico, to extend the Pecos Valley Road from Roswell, N. M., 225 miles northwest to the Texas Panhandle, and connect with the Santa Fé and Rock Island, and establish a through line from the Missouri River to the Mexican boundary.

Director of the Union Pacific.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The President has appointed John T. Bressler of Nebraska a Government Director of the Union Pacific Railroad, He succeeds J. Nelson H. Patrick, whose term has expired.

GEN. HARRISON FOR MODERATOR

Ex-President May Preside Over the Presbyterian General Assembly.

CHICAGO, April 8.—The one hundred and ninth annual General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church will open six weeks from to-day on the grounds at Winona, Ind. It will continue for ten days. Ex-President Harrison will probably preside as Moderator.

It is said that the meeting will be entirely harmonious, and that there will be no heresy trials or even echoes of the Briggs and Smith cases. The annual sermon will be preached by Dr. J. L. Withrow of this city, the retiring Moderator.

SCHRADER FEARED ARREST.

He Left Providence When Warned Not to Practice Without a License.

PROVIDENCE, April 8.—Schrader, the "divine healer," has disappeared, and is supposed to have gone to Worcester. The Secretary of the Board of Health intimated to the "healer" to-day that he might be sent to jail if he endeavored to practice medicine without a license in this city, and Schrader promptly shut up shop. Several hundred persons called on the man since he came to the city, and he mumbled a "blessing" over them.

It is even alleged that some have been cured of long-standing ailments. At any rate no end of blind people, paralytics, and unfortunates, with withered limbs, called on the man during his two days' stay. As many more went to his boarding place to-day, and were disappointed when they learned that he had left the city.

Hotel Managers Organize.

CHICAGO, April 8.—Twenty-eight hotel managers met at the Victoria Hotel this afternoon and perfected an organization for the purpose of devising means to increase the number of visitors to the city and thus help the hotel business. The general panicky feeling induced by hard times has caused the managers to fear a cut in rates. The association will attempt to prevent this. The following officers were elected: President—C. C. Hilton; Vice President—W. S. Eden; Secretary—John Willy; Treasurer—L. E. Howard; Executive Committee—A. D. Rood, C. F. Milligan, W. H. Worth, M. W. Burke, and D. D. Clements.

Oldest Lager Beer Brewery in the United States.

The F. & M. Schaefer Brewing Co's

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Now on Draught at all Customers.

Bottled at the Brewery

and delivered direct to Families. Park Ave., 50th to 51st St. New York.

GEN. RIVERA IMPROVING.

The Spanish Government Has at No Time Had Any Idea of Shooting Him.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Advices received by the Spanish Minister here state that Gen. Rius Rivera, who is lying wounded near Havana, is not in a serious condition, and that his wounds are not likely to prove fatal.

Inquiry as to the status of the prisoner resulted to-day in a statement by the Minister to the effect that at no time has the Spanish Government or Gen. Weyler had any idea of shooting Rivera. It was added that it would certainly not have been in view of the fact that Rivera has not yet been tried, much less sentenced to be shot. For the same reason, it can hardly be asserted that Gen. Rivera's future is absolutely assured.

The Minister has received word that 2,000 of the insurgents in the Phillipines have offered to surrender.

HAVANA, April 8.—Gen. Rius Rivera still remains at San Cristobal. He is recovering from his wounds. In the event of a summary trial it is not likely that he will be sentenced, but he will be held as a prisoner of war.

TO MAKE HAVANA HEALTHY.

A Contract Given to Michael J. Dady of Brooklyn to Improve Its Sanitary Condition.

HAVANA, April 8.—Michael J. Dady, the Brooklyn-New York contractor, has secured an important contract to improve the sanitary condition of Havana. It is said that the contract will involve an expenditure of about $15,000,000.

Work will be commenced next Winter, and it will give employment to from 4,000 to 5,000 men on sewers, paving, &c. All the preliminaries of the agreement have been decided upon, and it is reported that Mr. Dady has as security bonds issued by the City of Havana to the amount of $12,000,000. Mr. Dady is now here with his engineer, Mr. Byrne, and the papers are to be sent immediately to Capt. Gen. Weyler for his approval, which is expected in a few days.

Dady and Byrne expect to sail for New York on Saturday next.

A CONTRACT LONG EXPECTED.

Negotiations for the Work Have Been Carried on for Months.

Michael J. Dady's office is at 40 Court Street, Brooklyn. No confirmation of the report that he had secured a contract in Cuba could be had there yesterday.

Mr. Dady left Brooklyn for Havana last week, and, before going, he stated that he expected to get a contract from the Spanish Government for laying sewers. It was said that even before the present war broke out, the Havana Council had considered the urgent necessity of improving the sanitary condition of the city, and were then in correspondence with the Brooklyn contractor with that object in view. The authorities expected to eventually build a complete system of sewers throughout the city at a cost of at least $15,000,000, and probably more, according to the plans presented by the contractor.

INSURGENT DEFEATS REPORTED.

Several Killed and a Number Taken Prisoners.

HAVANA, April 8.—The Gerona Battalion, while reconnoitering in the vicinity of Encrucijada, Province of Pinar del Rio, surprised the insurgent force commanded by Perico Delgado and the remainder of the force commanded by Ducassi. The enemy left eleven men killed on the field, and the troops captured eight prisoners and a quantity of arms and ammunition.

Delgado is reported to be seriously ill, and Vidal Ducassi is said to have been seriously wounded on March 2. The second of the Ducassi brothers is also wounded, according to a rumor which has reached the Spanish authorities.

Advices from Pinar del Rio say that the insurgent Col. Jose Amieva Fuentes has surrendered to the Spanish commander at that place.

A detachment of the provincial guerrillas of Matanzas has captured Dr. Jose Ayo Govin, the Auditor of the insurgent War Department.

While the Aragon Battalion was reconnoitering at the north of the railroad, between San Cristobal and San Juan River, they encountered a body of insurgents, who had descended the hills for vegetables. According to the official account, the Spaniards "pursued them into the thickets, killing seven and making seven prisoners." The latter will be tried on the charge of raiding the plantation. Forty-eight banana groves, fourteen sweet potato beds, one coffee grove, a tobacco nursery, and nine huts have been "destroyed by the raiders," according to the Spanish official account.

EFFORT FOR MELTON'S RELEASE.

State Department Will Try to Separate His Case from the Others.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The State Department has been informed that the health of Ona Melton, one of the Competitor prisoners, which has been reported to be very bad, is now much improved.

When he recovers completely an effort will be made to separate his case from those of the other prisoners on the ground that he was a newspaper man and not a combatant, and thus secure his release.

EXTENSIVE MAIL ROBBERIES.

Opened Letters Found in a Manhole in Boston.

BOSTON, April 8.—What is believed to be evidence of most extensive mail robberies was found at the Back Bay to-day. More than 400 opened letters, nearly all of which were addressed to South End business men, were found in a manhole by employes of the Sewer Department of the Street Division, who were at work cleaning out the sewer.

The foreman in charge at once notified the Police Department of the discovery, and the news was soon announced at the Post Office. Deputy Superintendent Coburn of Postal Division A was sent to the scene, and he took charge of the letters, which have been given to Inspector Boynton, who is now at work trying to solve the mystery.

He refuses to say anything about the case further than the fact that the letters were found as described.

Extradition for Robbing His Wife.

BUFFALO, April 8.—The Sheriff of Austin, Potter County, Penn., arrived in this city to-day holding a warrant issued to him by Gov. Black for the arrest of Frank A. Davis, hotelkeeper of Buffalo. Davis, it is alleged, held up his wife with a gun and secured $1,300 worth of jewelry a few weeks ago, in Austin. His lawyer, however, secured a writ of habeas corpus returnable to-morrow, and will fight extradition.

Reforms Need More Than a Day

To bring them about, and are always more complete and lasting when they proceed with steady regularity to a consummation. Few of the observant among us can have failed to notice that permanently healthful changes in the human system are not wrought by abrupt and violent means, and that those are the most salutary medicines which are progressive. Hostetter's Stomach Bitters is the chief of these. Dyspepsia, a disease of obstinate character, is obliterated by it.

FIVE NEW PIERS RENTED

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Wanamaker

Advertising, pure and simple, prompts us to invite all strangers tarrying in this city to visit our store. It is full of interesting things. Has many conveniences for travelers. Before long will have many more.

But advertising need not be sordid. You are not urged to buy goods. That is quite apart from our present purpose. The store is cheery. We think you would enjoy a visit. Hence this special invitation.

Mrs. John Bailey lectures to women at 11 A. M. and 3 P. M. until Wednesday next, upon Dress and Physical Culture. Parlor, fifth floor, Tenth Street.

Housekeeping Linens. An important sale begins to-day. The goods are excellent. They include:

Four sorts Table Linens, 30c to $1 a yd.
Four sorts Napkins, 65c to $1.75 a doz.
One sort Pillow Cases, 30c each.
Two sorts Bed Linens, 38c and 65c a yd.
Four sorts Towels, $1 to $3 a doz.

Details in evening papers. Especially interesting to hotel-keepers.

Furniture. Unequaled stock—unmatched cheapness. Parlor, Bedroom, Dining Room and Summer Furniture at interestingly low prices. To-day, 85 styles Dressing Bureaus, newest shapes, $8 to $115. Cheval Glasses for dressing rooms or boudoirs, $15 to $65. Interested?

Carpets. Over eight hundred styles. Many exclusive patterns. Newest designs and colorings. Best makes. No trash. Lowest prices.

Mattings—We import them largely from China and Japan. Complete variety now ready. Many new and attractive patterns. $4 and upward for a roll of 40 yards.

Upholstery. The splendid stock of decorative stuffs and hangings is a fitting pendant to the beautiful Upholstery Store.

Genius for elegant house furnishing need not be disturbed by cost, for rich combinations may be economically devised.

Bargains daily. These for to-day:

100 pairs white Irish Point Lace Curtains reduced to $2.75 a pair.
50 pairs Tambour Lace Curtains reduced to $4.75 a pair. Others at various prices up to $19.

Onyx Tables with tops 8 in. square, all-brass legs, at $2.50. Others at $6 to $35. Every one a bargain—just a fine Wanamaker chance.

Glass Vases. Crystal Cups for Easter flowers. Cut Glass, $1.35 to $3.20. Small ones at 30c. Pressed Glass, 6c to 70c. Fancy Bohemian Glass, 25c to $15. A threefold offering. Beauty for the critical, cheapness for the economical.

Women's Bicycle Shoes. Black and chocolate, fine kidskin, perfectly finished, and superior in every way, $2.25 a pair. Exclusive here and cannot be matched at $4.

Children's Shoes. SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS a pair, reduced from $1.25 and $2. Worthy Shoes. Great bargains.

Bicycles. Continental, $50; Continent, $37.50. Strictly high-grade, at half the price of their equals.

Easter Festival. Flowers—see the arch in the main aisle—in which art rivals nature.

Cards and Booklets—messages of good will. 2c to 35c.

Toys and Candy Emblems.

Second only to Christmas in the ingenuity of the designs that touch the serious and the festive ideas of the great festival.

The Panorama Egg. Inside, the crystal lake, children at play, rabbits, etc., sporting about, the farm-house and windmill, with Monte Carlo in the distance, make a pleasing picture. In the Candy Store.

Hosts of funny Easter novelties from Germany, 5c to $5.

JOHN WANAMAKER

Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co.,
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COL. HAY IN THE CITY.

Ambassador to England Will Sail for His Post Next Wednesday.

Col. John Hay, Ambassador to the Court of St. James's, is at the Holland House, on a visit of a few days to this city.

"I am here," said Col. Hay, "on my way to England. I shall sail next Wednesday on the St. Paul. Mr. Henry White, Chargé d'Affaires, has already gone over to take charge of the Legation."

"Will Mr. Bayard remain in London until your arrival?"

"I hardly think so. My impression is that Mr. Bayard will vacate his office at the expiration of his present leave of absence. He is now, I believe, on the Continent, and will very probably start for this country before I reach London."

Col. Hay has already engaged Carleton House for his residence while in London.

Flint's Fine Furniture.

A Stream of Newness has overflowed the entire establishment.

PROCEEDINGS IN CONGRESS

The Cuban Resolution and the Bankruptcy Bill Again Debated in the Senate.

MORGAN PLEADS FOR MELTON.

Senator Chandler Offers a Resolution Regarding the Attorneys' Fees of the Inter-State Commerce Commission — Senator Nelson Pleads for the Poor Debtor.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Senate galleries were well filled again to-day in expectation of a continuance of the Cuban debate. Mr. Chandler offered a resolution, which was agreed to, as follows:

"Resolved, That the Committee on Inter-State Commerce be directed to investigate the payments made or agreed to be made by the Inter-State Commerce Commission for attorneys' fees, and also to inquire whether in any cases the attorneys of the commission have also been employed by railroad companies in similar cases; and, further, whether any additional authority from Congress is required for the employment of counsel in any pending proceedings which have been instituted by or on motion of the commission."

The resolution of Earle (Dem., S. C.,) for the reorganization of Senate committees, went over. Mr. Chandler presenting an amendment to be urged when the resolution is taken up. The amendment provides that on Tuesday, April 20, at 2 P. M., the Senate will proceed to appoint its committees.

The Morgan resolution declaring that a state of war exists in Cuba was then taken up without objection, and Mr. Morgan resumed his speech in support of it. In particular the Senator took up the case of young Ona Melton, one of the Competitor prisoners, and followed the progress of his trial and his imprisonment in communicado in the Spanish dungeons. Mr. Morgan declared that it was a long course of violation of treaty rights and the ordinary methods of judicial procedure. Young Melton, said he, was held to-day in a loathsome dungeon, not because guilt has been established against him, but because he is a young American boy. Mr. Morgan read from the laws and treaties to show the unjustifiable character of Melton's imprisonment. Then the Senator exclaimed with great vehemence:

"Whether there are 74 prisoners in Cuba or 74,000, or whether it is one in the person of Ona Melton, this Arkansas youth, the flag of the United States, if it refuses to shelter him, is a disgraced rag."

Mr. Morgan gave way at 2 o'clock to the Bankruptcy bill, stating that he would conclude his speech at the next meeting of the Senate. Mr. Nelson (Rep., Minn.,) addressed the Senate on the Bankruptcy bill. He said there was no public demand for the drastic collection machinery provided by the Torrey Bankruptcy bill. When the measure came up the other day he received a shower of telegrams favoring it, evidently inspired by interested parties in Washington. Mr. Nelson criticised the Torrey bill in detail, saying it was vicious and complicated, providing fifteen distinct causes for bankruptcy. The bill also created thirty-four criminal offenses, with severe penalties against debtors, and of these seventy-seven could be punished with imprisonment for two years and fine up to $2,000. Instead of that any bankrupt law provided by Congress should be designed to lift up the poor debtor, place him on his feet, and say godspeed.

On an estimate, the Senator said, a five-thousand-dollar estate could be bled up to $1,000 by the fees and procedure of the bill. This procedure seemed specially designed to fritter away an estate by appeals and other harassing methods. The provision for arrest was a departure from the modern ideas of civilization, and in effect restored imprisonment for debt. Mr. Nelson argued that the remedy for preferences laid down in the Nelson bill was more equitable than that of the Torrey bill.

Mr. Hoar defended the Torrey bill against Mr. Nelson's charges of harshness. There were, he said, 500,000 debtors awaiting the relief of this humane bill. The Nelson substitute Mr. Hoar regarded as impracticable. Mr. Hoar declared also that the Nelson bill was unconstitutional. The Constitution gave Congress authority to provide a uniform system of bankruptcy, but the Nelson bill would not permit a uniform system, as it left in force the State insolvency laws.

Mr. Lindsay of Kentucky gave notice of a speech at the next session in answer to criticisms of the committee bill.

Mr. Thurston (Rep., Neb.,) gave notice that on next Tuesday he would address the Senate on the subject of the Pacific Railroad debt settlements.

At 4 o'clock the Senate went into executive session, and at 4:45 P. M. adjourned until Monday.

CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE.

Favorable Action on Nominations of Roosevelt and Others.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Senate to-day confirmed the following nominations:

Assistant Secretary of the Navy—THEODORE ROOSEVELT of New York.

Third Assistant Secretary of State—THOMAS W. CRIDLER of West Virginia.

Secretary of the Legation, City of Mexico—FENTON R. McCREERY of Michigan.

Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, Department of the Navy—Capt. A. S. CROWNINSHIELD.

Collectors of Internal Revenue—PARK AGNEW of Virginia and ALONZO J. TYLER of Tennessee.

Brig. Gen. FRANK WHEATON, to be Major General; WILLIAM G. CASSARD of Maryland, to be Chaplain in the Navy; Capt. ROBERT CRAIG, Signal Corps, to be Major; the Rev. C. S. WALKLEY of Ohio, to be Post Chaplain.

SENATE COMMITTEE CONFERENCE.

Republicans Ask for Concessions from the Democrats.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Republican and Democratic Senators have at last apparently begun serious efforts to reach an understanding upon a basis of reorganization of the Senate committees. The managing committees of both sides of the Chamber were in session during the greater part of the afternoon to-day, and sub-committees representing both parties met in conference for the exchange of propositions, Senators McMillan, Gallinger, and Carter representing the Republicans and Senators Gorman, Cockrell, and Faulkner the Democrats.

The Democratic conferees outlined the position of the Democratic side of the Chamber to be that the Democrats should be allowed to fill the committee places held by Democrats in the last Congress. The Republicans proposed that the reorganization should take place on the basis of percentages, an arrangement which they admitted would result in reducing the Democratic representation on the committees to an average extent of one member.

This did not prove an acceptable basis of settlement to the Democrats, whereupon the Republicans suggested a compromise agreement. They called attention to the fact that the Republican plurality over the Democrats was nine now, whereas it was only two at the beginning of the last session. This, they pointed out, would require about thirty-five more committee assignments than in 1895. They suggested that the Democrats should make concessions that would give the Republicans a sufficient increase of places to permit them to take proper care of their increased number of Senators.

This proposition was only tentatively made, and conditionally considered. The Democratic Senators indicated a disposition to recommend its favorable consideration to their Caucus Committee, providing an understanding could be reached upon the allotments for the Committees on Finance and Appropriations. These vacancies have been the real bone of contention from the beginning.

The proposition was afterward brought to the attention of the full Democratic Caucus Committee, but no definite action was taken. There was, however, an apparent disposition to make concessions except upon the Finance Committee membership, which there was a decided determination to hold to its present financial and political complexion.

PRESIDENT AT ANNAPOLIS.

The Dolphin Received with a Salute from the Naval Academy.

ANNAPOLIS, Md., April 8.—President McKinley and party arrived here at 5 o'clock this afternoon on the Dolphin, and were received with a President's salute from the Naval Academy.

Superintendent Cooper and a party of officers called on the President and a number of documents and newspapers were sent aboard.

SIGSBEE PROMOTED CAPTAIN.

From the Naval Hydrographic Office to Command the Maine.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Nearly four years ago Commander C. D. Sigsbee left the training ship Portsmouth, which he had commanded for three years, to take charge of the Naval Hydrographic Office in this city. He has since been directing a work the importance of which is conceded by all who are at all acquainted with it, and when Admiral Walker was retired it came to be his turn to be promoted.

The promotion came in due time, and the Senate on Tuesday confirmed it. To-day Capt. Sigsbee was ordered to command the battle ship Maine, and will join the ship to-morrow. He has been accustomed to act promptly upon orders, and to avoid no service. In thirty-eight years in the navy he has been but four months unemployed.

LOOKING AFTER FUR SEALS.

Effort Will Be Made to Renew the Modus Vivendi of 1891.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—The Administration proposes to lose no time in taking up the fur seal controversy. At the Cabinet meeting on Tuesday it was decided to invite John W. Foster to take charge of these matters under the direction of the Secretary of State, and to ask C. S. Hamlin, retiring Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, to cooperate on behalf of the Treasury Department. There is reason to believe that there will now be what Russia has long desired—hearty co-operation between herself and the United States. Probably united action will be taken by both nations and possibly Japan to stop the slaughter now going on at sea.

The first step made probably will be an attempt to secure a renewal of the modus vivendi of 1891, to which the United States, Russia, and England would be parties. This would suspend all killing in Bering Sea till next year, when, under the terms of the Paris award, the regulations now in force will be reconsidered with a view to their modification. Failing to secure a modus vivendi, it is believed the Government will employ all its resources to protect the herd as much as it can from injury pending negotiations. The branding of females and pups, thus destroying their pelts, so successfully experimented with last year, will doubtless be resorted to on the largest possible scale.

Mr. Bell's Pension Paid.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Mr. Evans, the new Commissioner of Pensions, to-day rescinded his order directing that payment of pension money be withheld from Mr. H. C. Bell, ex-Deputy Commissioner of Pensions, and wrote a letter to Pension Agent Willson, stating that, on careful examination, he found that Mr. Bell's claim had been properly filed and the certificate properly issued, and instructing Mr. Willson to issue Mr. Bell a check for $271, the amount due. The back money, accordingly, was paid to-day and Mr. Bell's name permanently restored to the rolls at $6 per month.

ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY'S LOSS.

Bonds Worth $400,000 and $140,000 in Cash Missing in Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 8.—The affairs of the Globe Savings Bank, which closed last Monday, are in bad shape. In addition to $140,000 in cash belonging to the University of Illinois, endowment bonds to the value of $400,000, also the property of the university, are missing. These bonds were intrusted to President Spaulding of the Globe Savings Bank.

This afternoon a list of bonds of counties and school districts in Illinois was submitted to Banker John Farson for purchase. The list was in possession of a firm whose name is withheld. Mr. Farson, knowing of the disappearance of the university's securities, immediately submitted them to the university Trustee, James Armstrong, who gave it as his opinion that the bonds were undoubtedly those missing from the securities of the university.

It was explained to Mr. Farson that the bonds were given as security on various notes, that the latter had not been paid, and that the bonds had therefore been offered for sale. As Mr. Spaulding is the custodian of the university's securities, it is not known how the bonds could ever have passed from his hands without his knowledge and consent.

BALLOTING FOR SENATOR.

There Is Still No Result in the Kentucky Contest.

FRANKFORT, Ky., April 8.—When the roll was called in the joint legislative session to-day the silver Democrats declined to answer to their names, hoping that with the assistance of the holting Republicans they would be able to break a quorum. In this they were unsuccessful, the gold Democrats answering with the Hunterites in order to force the balloting, and the roll call showed seventy-one present, one more than necessary to constitute a quorum. Unable to prevent a ballot, the silver men voted for Blackburn when the ballot was ordered, while the gold Democrats voted for the compromise candidate, Henry L. Martin.

All but the paired members voted. There were no significant changes, and the vote stood: Hunter, 61; Blackburn, 44; Martin, 18; Boyle, 7; Stone, 1; necessary to a choice, 66. On the second ballot Hunter received 60 votes.

ALL FOR A DAY'S NURSING.

Muller Made Over His House to Widow Roser Just Before He Died.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., April 8.—For taking care of Ernest Muller of Pleasantville, one day, Mrs. Roser, a widow of Absecom, received all his possessions at his death. The will of Muller, who died last Saturday, has been filed.

He stated last Friday night that he would die the next day, and his prophecy came true. On Friday Muller sent for Mrs. Roser and told her that if she would nurse him he would leave her his property, as he knew he was going to die. She laughed at him, but consented to care for him. 'Squire Abbot drew a will in her favor. Muller left her his house on the shore road. She has refused $2,000 for it.

The Old Adams Cottage.

QUINCY, Mass., April 8.—The old John and Abigail Adams cottage, where President John Quincy Adams was born, which has been undergoing extensive repairs, was informally opened this afternoon to a few friends of the Quincy Historical Society. The old-fashioned New England dinner served was cooked in the brick ovens, which had not been used for over a century. This old cottage was presented recently to the historical society by the Hon. Charles Francis Adams, and it is being fitted up in old colonial style. It will be opened to the public at an early date, and the Adams family relics will be placed on exhibition.

Yale's Junior Prize Speaking.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 8.—The annual Yale junior prize speaking exhibition was held in Battel Chapel this afternoon. There were eight contestants, and Samuel Elliott Bassett, a graduate of the Johns Hopkins School of this city, Class of '94, won the Ten Eyck Prize, the income of a fund of $2,000 established by the Kingsley Trust Association, in memory of Henry J. Ten Eyck, '79.

ACTION ON EXCISE BILL

There Will Probably Be Swift Work in Passing the Caucus Amendments in the Legislature.

ARE NOW BEFORE THE SENATE.

Mr. Lauterbach Is Indignant over the Caucus—The Amendments Will Allow Liquor Dealers to Serve Free Lunch.

ALBANY, April 8.—The Republicans today completed a programme for swift action on the amendments to the Raines liquor tax law. Unless there is a break in the Assembly, they expect they will be passed by both Houses by the end of next week, precisely as they were agreed on in the Senate caucus last night.

They are to be passed by the Senate next Tuesday, and the same night the Assembly will caucus on them. Ninety votes are claimed for them there.

The proposition to tax clubs is expected to make trouble, but pressure will be ready to bring the opponents of this feature into line. Last night's caucus has caused a great stir among Republicans from the large cities of the State, who look at possible political effects.

Edward Lauterbach, Chairman of the New York County Republican Committee, was here all day, trying to check the impending legislation with all the vigor at his command. He went first to Gov. Black, who sees no method of differentiating between bogus and legitimate clubs. When Mr. Lauterbach interviewed the Governor, Insurance Superintendent Louis F. Payn was present, and the political aspect of the situation was debated.

Mr. Lauterbach told the Governor that the recent elections in Chicago, Cincinnati, and other middle Western cities indicated clearly that the issue of free silver, as represented by the Bryan or "regular" Democrats was at the front this year. It would be the issue in the campaign in Greater New York, he said, unless the Legislature, by the passage of the proposed Raines amendments, created another issue which would overshadow the question of keeping alive the free-silver sentiment. John C. Sheehan is waiting, Mr. Lauterbach said, in hopes that the Legislature will do this, before attempting to define Tammany's attitude toward the old Democrats. If the silver issue were at the front the Republicans could carry Greater New York. He pleaded that the amendments to the Raines law be passed to lessen the possibilities of this. Mr. Lauterbach elaborated these arguments.

The Governor Non-Committal.

Gov. Black listened attentively. Mr. Lauterbach said afterward that the Governor was manifestly impressed. The Governor did not, however, indicate that he would join hands with Mr. Lauterbach. Mr. Payn said but little, further than to state his position as favorable to the amendments which were agreed on by the caucus last night.

After leaving the executive chamber Mr. Lauterbach went to the Senate chamber and prosecuted his campaign. He said to a correspondent of THE NEW YORK TIMES:

"I believe it would be most unwise to make changes in the Raines law. Its working in New York City is satisfactory. It is a solution of how to regulate the liquor traffic in a way to suit the great mass of the people. Never was there better order on Sunday. If the Legislature adopts the pending amendments an issue will be created and the Republican Party will suffer as being responsible for the change. The Senate caucus brings the issue squarely into view. The fight is in the open. That may be of advantage to those of us who are against any changes in the present conditions. We may stand more chance of defeating a drastic than a mild measure."

He declared that the Republican organization of New York City had been deceived by the Republican Senators. He had been assured the caucus would not be held until to-night. It was his intention to be here to-day and argue with the leaders against the adoption of the amendments. The caucus had been held, however, contrary to an agreement, and he said that the only thing for him to do was to go to the Governor and plead earnestly for him to use his influence against the amendments, for if they were enacted into law it would mean the absolute ruination of the Republican Party at the Greater New York election in the Fall.

Reported to the Senate.

The Committee on Taxation and Retrenchment of the Senate, following up the dictates of the caucus of the Republican Senators last night, met this afternoon and decided to report favorably to the Senate the proposed amendments to the Raines liquor-tax law, as agreed to by the caucus.

The amendments are, in the main, the same as those originally presented by Senator Raines. The amendment taxing clubs the same as saloons, the most important one of all, is exactly the same as it was when introduced by Senator Raines. The two other changes made by the caucus are amendments allowing persons trafficking in liquor to serve free lunch with drinks and reducing from $20 to $10 per night the tax for an all-night license when such privilege is obtained from the Mayor and Chief of Police of a city. This provision is extended also to cities of the third class, making it applicable to all the cities in the State.

When the Senate convened to-night Chairman Higgins made the favorable report of the committee on the amendments and asked that they be ordered to a third reading.

Senator Cantor objected, and they were referred to the Committee of the Whole.

PAGE STREET-SPRINKLING BILL

Fear That It Will Create a Monopoly and Cause Unnecessary Expense.

ALBANY, April 8.—The Senate Committee on Cities to-day reported favorably Senator Page's Street Sprinkling bill. It provides that the proper authorities of the cities of the first class, including New York, Brooklyn, and Buffalo, shall make a contract with some person or corporation to do the street sprinkling for not exceeding a period of ten years. Whoever gets the contract is to have one-third of 1 cent per square yard per week, and is authorized to take such water as is necessary from the public hydrants.

This bill will have the united opposition of the authorities of the cities interested. It was thought that it had been killed some time ago, as it was introduced the third week in the session and has been in the Cities Committee ever since. On the motion to report it from the Cities Committee yesterday afternoon, Senator Brush opposed it and insisted that a record be made of his opposition in the committee's report. This was done this morning.

The city authorities of New York and Brooklyn have estimated that the cost to the city each year would be $1,000,000 for each of the municipalities. The Commissioner of Public Works in New York City has pointed out that whereas the City of New York now gets a revenue from its street sprinkling, this would be surrendered under the Page bill, and an additional heavy expense required. The Board of Works in Brooklyn has sent information that $1,000,000 would be a low estimate for the work in that city, whereas at present the street sprinkling is done at the expense of owners of abutting property. It has been charged that this is a scheme to give the street sprinkling into the hands of a monopoly, which will operate in the cities named, although Senator Page has disclaimed any such idea. The bill provides that streets, avenues, roads, lanes and boulevards, and places shall be sprinkled from the 15th day of March to the 1st day of December in each year.

Inasmuch as this bill applies to cities of the first class, the legal advisers of the cities interested say that it would not necessarily be sent to the Mayors for their approval, as it comes under the constitutional head of general city legislation rather than special. They are afraid it may be rushed through during the last days of the session.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

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NEW YORK LEGISLATURE

Senator Raines Introduces a Bill Making a Number of Amendments to the Election Law.

ACTION ON OTHER MEASURES.

The Assembly Passes a Resolution Naming April 22 as the Date of Final Adjournment—Finn and Trainor Denounce Republican Methods.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 8.—The first matter of importance to come up in the Senate to-day was the introduction of a bill by Senator Raines amending in various particulars the Raines election law.

The bill was ordered to a third reading, and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The proposed amendments are: Permitting electors who have started to vote before the hour for closing the polls has arrived to complete the act; allowing Inspectors of Elections to be re-elected; taking away the power of the Secretary of State to select a device or party name for the distinguishment of candidates on the ballot of a party or faction which does not select a device or party name; providing that in voting for any individual candidate on the ballot the cross must be placed only in the square space before the name of the candidate.

Gov. Black sent in the nomination of Elizabeth Stewart Brown of Chatham as a manager of the House of Refuge for Women at Hudson, and it was referred to the Finance Committee.

The resolution fixing the date for final adjournment on April 22, which was passed in the Assembly this morning, was handed down in the Senate, and was referred to the Finance Committee.

The bill to make the village of Greenbush the City of Rensselaer was taken up. Senator Grady moved to strike out the enacting clause, and he said that it was the most inexcusable piece of legislation ever conceived. It proposed to establish a city, whether the people wanted it or not.

Senator Thibits defended the bill, and said that the reason so much power had been placed in the Common Council was because the "Old Tiger" might capture the Mayor and the corrupt times which the people are trying to get away from would return.

"Don't you worry about the Tiger," replied Senator Grady. "He won't come near the grand metropolis of Rensselaer. He is down home devouring the greater charter, and you will hear a good lusty howl from him this Fall."

The motion to strike out the enacting clause was lost, and the bill was advanced to a third reading.

Bills Passed.

The following bills passed the Senate:

Mr. Scherer—Placing steamboats in the same law as hotels relative to their liability for the loss of any property of their guests.

Mr. McLaughlin—Shortening the season for fishing for black bass one month.

Senator Nussbaum—Allowing graduates of colleges and universities to matriculate in a medical college after a three years' course.

Mr. Austin—Providing for the erection and equipment of four high schools in New York City.

Mr. Brennan—Grading and regulating the employes of the New York and Brooklyn Bridge and creating a pension fund for the same.

Senator Ahearn's, providing that in New York City, when the court believes that a child's guardians are competent to take charge of the child to be committed to a charitable institution, they are to have custody of it, and such money as is now paid to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children for the keep of the child shall be given to the guardians for the support of the child. This would give such guardian $104 a year while the child is in legal custody.

Introduction of Bills.

These bills were introduced in the Senate:

Mr. Cantor, amending the stock corporation law providing that none but "a monied corporation shall create any debt not secured by mortgage in excess of the amount of its paid-up capital stock."

Mr. Cantor, for the protection of livery stable keepers by creating a lien upon harness, trucks, and other conveyances.

Mr. Ahearn, providing for the establishment of a teachers' training school outside of the City of New York at the discretion of the local authorities.

Senator Sullivan, fixing the salary of the Chief of Police of New York at $10,000, and providing that patrolmen on the police force shall be relieved from duty and placed upon the pension list after serving on the force for twenty-five years.

Senator McCarren, providing that it shall not be unlawful to operate slaughter houses in the City of Brooklyn, where such business has been and now is established.

Night Session.

At the night session of the Senate the Finance Committee again reported the bill authorizing the Superintendent of Public Works to equip the Capitol Building with an electric light plant, to be operated by the State.

Senator Higgins said that the motion was made for the purpose of delaying the bill with a hope of killing it. Senator Grady denied this.

Senator Cantor said that it cost the State $56,000 the last year it ran its own lighting plant, while Senator Higgins said he was satisfied that the State could light the building for $10,000.

After a lengthy debate Senator Grady's motion was lost by a vote of 20 to 11, and the bill was restored to its place on the third reading on the calendar.

The Finance Committee also reported the concurrent resolution fixing the date for final adjournment with an amendment setting the date for April 24. On an objection from Senator Grady the consideration of the resolution was put over until to-morrow.

The so-called Auctioneers' bill, was taken from the Committee of the Whole on a motion of Senator Lexow, and was amended for the purpose of perfecting it.

Senator Brackett offered an amendment placing the Controller's agent having charge of auction sales under civil service. This caused extended debate, and was finally defeated by a vote of 19 to 15.

The bill was recommitted to the Committee of the Whole.

When the general order calendar was taken up the following measures were advanced to a third reading:

Senator Krum—Prohibiting the fishing for shad in the Hudson River between Friday night of each week and Monday morning, and prohibiting the dragging of shad nets except by hand.

Senator Stranahan—Authorizing New York and Brooklyn to expend $5,000 for the payment as compensation to George M. Pinney, Jr., for services as Secretary of the Greater New York Commission.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning.

ACTION OF THE ASSEMBLY.

Finn and Trainor Enliven the Proceedings by Denouncing the Methods of Republican Leaders.

ALBANY, April 8.—Senator Ellsworth's Forestry bill, appropriating $1,000,000 for the purchase of land in the Adirondack Park, passed the Assembly, 110 to 28. Those who voted against the bill were: Republicans—Baker, B. D. Brown, C. J. Clark, Eldridge, Graves, Hanna, Harrison, Hobbs, Ives, Kavanaugh, Kelsey, Koster, Leversee, McLaughlin, Miles, C. H. Miller, Pierce, Raplee, Sears, Springer, Wilson, and Zimmerman. Democrats—Dempsey, Gledhill, Leonard, Palmer, F. Schmid, and Trainor.

Mr. Forrester of Kings moved to discharge the committee on Gas, Electricity, and Water Supply from further consideration of his bill providing for 90-cent gas in Brooklyn, which has been in the committee since Jan. 29.

Mr. Goodsell, Chairman of the committee, said that the committee had not met this week, but would meet this afternoon, when Mr. Forrester's bill would be considered. He asked the Assembly not to take the bill from the committee, as the City of Brooklyn had just entered into a contract with a company to furnish gas to the city, and the committee had been waiting for further information on the subject before taking final action on the bill.

The motion to discharge the committee was lost—57 noes to 48 ayes.

Most of the Republicans as well as the Democratic members of New York and Kings County voted for the motion, but the up State Republicans voted solidly against the motion.

Mr. Brennan of Kings moved to discharge the Committee on Taxation and Retrenchment from further consideration of his bill known as the measure providing for home rule in taxation.

The motion was voted down by a viva voce vote.

Mr. Nixon offered a concurrent resolution providing that the final adjournment of the Legislature shall take place on April 22.

Mr. Nixon's resolution was adopted.

Mr. Mazet moved to reconsider the vote by which his bill to prevent misdemeanor trials in the City of New York being sent from the Court of Special Sessions to the General Term, where a jury trial can be had, was amended and recommitted to committee. Mr. Finn made the point of order that the bill had been recommitted, and the votes by which it was recommitted and amended were taken as a single vote, and that the only proper motion that could be made was a motion to discharge the committee from further consideration of the bill. Speaker O'Grady ruled the point of order not well taken. The Democrats protested against the manner in which the Republicans were dragging the bill from committee, but there was no opportunity to debate the question.

The motion to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed was carried by a vote of 55 ayes to 48 noes.

The Republicans who voted against the motion were: Addis, Adler, Baker, Brennan, L. E. Brown, Degnan, Fish, Forrester, Garby, Husted, Knaup, Pierce, Roehr, E. L. Schmidt, J. J. Sullivan, Wells, Wilson.

Mr. Mazet's bill and Mr. Dempsey's amendment to it were made a special order for Monday night.

Mr. Abell's bill providing that the Trustees of the New York and Brooklyn Bridge shall be empowered to contract with a street surface railroad now running in New York or Kings County to run cars across the bridge (without charging more for one rate of fare than is now being charged for one trip over the present limits of the road) was on the calendar on order of second reading.

Mr. McKeown of Kings asked how this bill was on the calendar, as it had not been reported from the Cities Committee.

Mr. Austin, Chairman of the committee, was called upon to explain, and he admitted that the committee had never acted on the bill, but that he had reported the bill from the floor after obtaining the signatures of a majority of the committee.

Mr. Roche made the point of order that the bill was improperly on the calendar, as the rules require that no bill shall be reported from the floor without the unanimous consent of the committee.

The Speaker ruled the point of order not well taken amid protests from all sides of the House, and a motion to recommit the bill, but to permit it to retain its place on the calendar, by Mr. Abell, was declared carried.

Messrs. Finn and Taylor denounced the action of the Speaker and the majority leader of the Assembly and their methods of forcing legislation through the Assembly.

Passage of Bills.

The Assembly repassed Senator Page's bill providing that the Common Council of New York shall grant to the New York Life Insurance Company a permit to build a portico on their building, at the corner of Broadway and Leonard Street, which the authorities had returned with a recommendation to change the wording of the bill. Mr. Austin announced that the Penal Code covers the changes in the bill asked for by the New York authorities.

The following bills were also passed:

Mr. Adler—Providing that the foremen in the New York Street Cleaning Department shall receive $100 more salary per year.

Mr. Senger—Amending the military law relative to the composition of a battalion.

Mr. Parkins—Providing for an additional court for the trial of criminal cases after indictment, in Kings County.

Mr. McKnight—Prohibiting the construction, maintenance, and operation of railroads on Enfield Street, Brooklyn.

Mr. Parshall—Prohibiting the construction of railways on Cropsey Avenue, Brooklyn.

Mr. Brennan—Providing for the payment of persons who have rendered services to the City of Brooklyn at the request of the various offices thereof and the County of Kings.

Mr. Brennan—Providing for the lighting, heating, and care of the Brooklyn Institute of the Arts and Sciences.

Mr. Soper—Providing for the opening of the highway in the late Town of Flatlands known as Prospect Avenue.

Mr. Hughes—Providing for the payment of four clerks of the Board of Supervisors of Kings County, appointed in 1895, for extra services.

Mr. Brennan—Providing that mechanics, workingmen, and laborers in the employ of the State or engaged on public work shall not work more than eight hours per day.

AGAINST THE CONCOURSE BILL.

Members of the Charter Commission Make an Emphatic Protest.

ALBANY, April 8.—Chairman Stranahan received a communication this morning signed by Benjamin F. Tracy, Seth Low, Thomas F. Gilroy, George M. Pinney, Jr., Stewart L. Woodford, Silas B. Dutcher, and William C. De Witt of the Greater New York Charter Commission, protesting against favorable action by the Senate Cities Committee on the so-called Concourse bill.

The communication states that the estimated cost of the proposed improvement will reach $10,000,000, and suggests that all bills proposing to authorize any part of the Greater City about to be created to involve itself in further indebtedness should be scanned very carefully, as it would certainly be a parody upon all reasonable views of consolidation if every part of the consolidated city were to be authorized to run itself into debt up to the utmost limit in anticipation of that event.

Oppose the Bronx Sewer Bill.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 8.—A delegation of taxpayers from Westchester County today waited on Gov. Black to protest against the Bronx sewer bill of Senator Burns. The delegation was headed by Judge Isaac N. Mills of Mount Vernon. The other gentlemen were Mayor Edwin W. Fisk Charles H. Wilson, Joseph S. Wood, Mortimer J. Bell, Dr. Close, William H. Martens, William W. Howe, George H. Brown, Franklin T. Davis, and Mr. Downs, all of Mount Vernon; Samuel Miller, President of the Village of White Plains, and Surrogate Theodore H. Silisman.

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.

Among the Measures Approved Yesterday Was the Forestry Bill.

ALBANY, April 8.—Gov. Black attached his signature to the so-called "Forestry Bill" at 2:20 o'clock this afternoon, but his action was not announced until late in the day. The Governor signed the measure within five minutes after it was placed on his desk. The "time" made between its passage by the Assembly and its becoming a law has seldom been equalled. The formalities of transmission occupied about fifteen minutes.

The bill creates a commission of three with power to expend $1,000,000 in the purchase or condemnation of lands lying in the Adirondack Park for the purpose of preserving the forest lands. The act is known as Chapter 220 of the Laws of 1897.

The Governor also signed the following bills:

Mr. Nixon's, providing that the voters of a school district may vote to furnish the pupils of the district with free textbooks.

Senator Higgins's, amending the highway law relative to the methods of application for permission to lay drains.

Senator Ahearn's eliminating from the stock corporations law the provision which requires stock companies to designate on a certificate of incorporation the time for holding its annual meeting.

Senator Ford's, appropriating $500 for medals for life savers in New York State waters.

Mr. Eldridge's providing that the consolidation of a domestic with a foreign railroad corporation shall not be deemed invalid because such roads did not form a contiguous line at the time of consolidation, if by lease of 99 years, or purchase of an intermediate line, the lines thus specified became connecting or contiguous.

Mr. Austin's, relative to the erection of a Court House for the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, First Department, in New York City, and in regard to the receipt of bids and proposals for the work.

Senator Martin's, amending the act incorporating the Missionary Society of the Most Holy Redeemer in the State of New York.

Mr. Matthewson's, authorizing the opening of One Hundred and Eighty-second Street, New York City, from Washington Avenue to Bassford Avenue, along the line of old Fletcher Street.

Senator Page's, ratifying the action of the Board of Street Opening and Improvements of New York City in laying out Kilpatrick Square Park in the Twelfth Ward, New York City.

Mr. Matthewson's, authorizing the extension of Bash Street, in New York City, from the Grand Boulevard and Concourse to Creston Avenue.

Senator Page's, providing that whenever a non-resident Justice shall be assigned to any duty in the First Judicial District other than in the Appellate Division he shall be paid by the city $20 a day for every day he shall perform judicial service.

Senator Guy's, authorizing the erection of a court building on the southerly side of East One Hundred and Sixty-first Street.

Senator Guy's, providing for the alteration of the intersection of Tremont Avenue, Buckhout Street, and Grand Boulevard and Concourse, New York City.

Senator Guy's, providing for the extension of East One Hundred and Eighty-ninth Street from Webster Avenue to Third Avenue.

Senator Guy's, providing for a change in the grades of Lafayette Avenue from Mohawk Avenue to Bryant Street, Baretto Street from Randall Avenue to Lafayette Avenue, Manida Street from Randall Avenue to Lafayette Avenue, and Spofford Avenue from Longwood Avenue to Longfellow Street.

Mr. Nixon—Appropriating $25,000 for the transportation of the National Guard and Naval Militia in attending the dedication of the tomb of Gen. U. S. Grant, on April 27, in New York City.

To Appoint a Forestry Commission.

ALBANY, April 8.—The Governor, it is said, will appoint the three Commissioners provided in the Forestry bill in a few days, and they will be expected to begin operations promptly. Controller Roberts, Lieut. Gov. Woodruff, and Forest, Fish, and Game Commissioner Babcock are the most popular names mentioned. It is possible that State Engineer Adams may be a member instead of Mr. Roberts.

The Anti-Portrait Bill.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 8.—The consideration of the Anti-Portrait bill by the Assembly Committee on General Laws has been put off until next week.

NEWS FOR THE WHEELMEN

There Will Be No Big Parade of Cyclists on the Boulevard on June 5.

NO PERMIT WILL BE GIVEN.

Commissioner Collis Does Not Want the Beauty of the Thoroughfare Destroyed—He Says He Has the Support of Other City Officials.

Gen. Collis, the Commissioner of Public Works, placed himself on record yesterday on the question of the proposed big parade of cyclists on the Boulevard on June 5. He emphatically declared the parade would not be held in that thoroughfare.

The garden spots in the centre of the Boulevard will be in their prime at that time, and the Commissioner argues that the vast majority of riders would prefer to have the beauty of the thoroughfare maintained rather than to take part in or to witness a parade, no matter how large or grand it might be. This will be the first season that the Boulevard has been decorated, so to speak, and the Commissioner is particularly desirous of preserving all its landscape attractions.

Cyclists who read yesterday of the refusal of the Commissioner to give his permission for the parade of the Century Wheelmen on Tuesday night anticipated his refusal to sanction the proposed demonstration in June, knowing that it would attract probably several hundred thousand people. Those of the Century Club who prepared extensively for their club parade were very positive that Gen. Collis would not allow the big parade, having stopped theirs, which doubtless would have drawn very few spectators.

Permits for parading in the streets are issued by the Police Department, but Gen. Collis's protest is vital. The Mayor and the heads of the departments in any way bearing on the matter are with the Commissioner in his view of the situation, so the latter declared. Gen. Collis said he had received many letters commending his attitude in the matter, and he felt perfectly satisfied in the stand he had taken. The Commissioner is a firm believer in the pastime of cycling, and wants to do all he can for the pleasure of the riders. When the Boulevard is all fixed up as he intends it to be, he thinks the number of wheelmen there on pleasant Sundays will exceed even the large crowds seen there nowadays.

PUT GLASS IN THE STREET.

Arrest and Conviction of Elias Dreyer.

James Alvany, an enthusiastic member of the League of American Wheelmen, had the satisfaction yesterday of seeing a man punished for strewing bits of broken glass in the street.

While riding in Ninth Street, near Sixth Avenue, he saw Elias Dreyer, a tailor, of 112 Sixth Avenue, deliberately throwing glass on the asphalt pavement. Mr. Alvany realized that many tires might be injured if this practice were often indulged in, and his indignation rose at the sight of an offender caught in the act. Jumping from his wheel, he made a grab for Dreyer and held him, calling meanwhile for a policeman who was near by.

Dreyer was taken into custody on the complaint of Mr. Alvany, who appeared against him in Jefferson Market Police Court during the afternoon. The complainant had meanwhile placed the case in the hands of George E. Miner, the attorney for the League of American Wheelmen in this city. Mr. Miner presented the case, and the Court imposed a fine of $5, and gave the offender a severe reprimand.

The law making it an offense to throw bits of broken glass, or anything that might injure horses, cattle, or the pneumatic tires on bicycles, was adopted only last year, and the case of Dreyer is one of the few that have been brought up for punishment.

AMONG THE WHEELMEN.

Cyclists wishing to join the League of American Wheelmen will be furnished with application blanks and necessary information by addressing Cycling Department of THE NEW YORK TIMES.

On their next Sunday run the members of the Greater New York Wheelmen will tour through Bath Beach, Fort Hamilton, Bergen Beach, and Coney Island.

Bergen Point was the objective place in a run taken last evening by the cyclists of the Waverly Athletic Association. The party started from the clubhouse, at 75 Second Avenue, at 8 o'clock.

Abbott Bassett, the veteran Secretary of the League of American Wheelmen, was a visitor at the New York Division headquarters yesterday. He came from Boston to confer with President Potter on league matters.

The Knickerbocker Athletic Club will be represented in cycling events this season by a team of riders comprising Bert Ripley, Linford Lefferson, W. C. Owens, Charles O'Connor, and Walter C. Roome. The team will follow the State circuit of races.

"Scorching" has been responsible for many accidents in St. Louis, and the wheelmen who decry this practice have asked the police to arrest every offender in the future. If the police of this city would corral a few of the young men who wilfully break the ordinance relating to speed the pleasure riders would be thankful.

A. P. Black, the cyclist who was injured in Brooklyn last December by being run down by a truck driver employed by one of the large business houses of that city, has brought suit for $10,000 damages. Black has been in the hospital for twenty-six weeks, during which time he has had to undergo seven operations.

The list of special bicycle policemen appointed to maintain order on the Coney Island cycle path will be revised and enlarged in the near future. A committee of three members of the Good Roads Association will make the revision at the request of Park Commissioner Dettmer. Messrs. Fuller, Walker, and Munroe form the committee.

A proposition is on foot in Patchogue, L. I., to place a tax on all bicycles in Suffolk County, the purpose being to raise sufficient money to defray the expense of keeping special bicycle paths in repair. It is proposed to make the tax 50 cents. The matter will be laid before the Supervisors of the county at the next meeting of the board, which will be held at Riverhead, on the 26th inst.

Wheeling affairs in the Crescent Athletic Club of Brooklyn were never in such a flourishing state as at present. A new wheelhouse has just been secured near the clubhouse in Clinton Street, where the members can have their cycles kept, an attendant being in charge at all hours. The Wheeling Committee this season comprises Carl G. Rasmus, Edward H. Walker, and William T. Wintringham.

A new sprinkling cart that will obviate the evil of drenching the streets has been adopted by the Street Sprinkling Association. President Hilderbrandt of the association has invited a committee of wheelmen to view the new cart in operation. The only opposition to the association receiving the contract for the work for another term came from the cyclists. They maintained that the manner in which the work was done last year made riding in the streets a dangerous practice.

The desirability of a direct route to the Willink entrance to Prospect Park from Bedford Avenue and the Eastern Parkway, has prompted several members of the Brooklyn Good Roads Association to agitate the question of asphalting one of the streets which form almost a continuation of Bedford Avenue. The streets from Eastern Parkway, running toward the park in that vicinity, are now paved with cobble stones, which are the last things a cyclist wants to ride over. A direct route such as the one proposed, would save a ride of nearly a mile in going from the junction of Bedford Avenue and the parkway to the Willink entrance.

Chairman L. O. Jenkins of the Road Committee of the Long Island Wheelmen announces three club runs for the remainder of the month, as follows: April 11—College Point; total distance, about thirty-two miles. Leave clubhouse at 10 A. M. Dr. R. B. Cantrell in charge. April 18—Hudson County Boulevard; via Forty-second Street ferry. Dinner at Shore House, Bergen Point. Returning via Staten Island. Total riding distance, about twenty-six miles. Leave clubhouse at 9 A. M. L. O. Jenkins in charge. April 25—Freeport; via Merrick Road. Dinner at Scott's Hotel. Total distance, about forty-six miles. Leave clubhouse at 9:30 A. M. W. A. Boger in charge.

GIANTS ARE HOME AGAIN.

Lakewood as a Training Place Agreed With the Team.

Capt. Joyce and the New York Baseball team came up from Lakewood yesterday afternoon, having finished their training. A final game was played yesterday morning. The Yannigans were beaten by a score of 11 to 4.

Capt. Joyce is pleased with the condition of the men. The team will practice this morning and this afternoon at the Polo Grounds before their game to-morrow with Yale.

New York Defeats Vermont.

The New York University baseball team defeated the nine from Vermont University by a score of 11 to 9 yesterday afternoon, at Ohio Field, University Heights. Ten runs, made by the home team in the first two innings, gave it a lead that the Vermont players, despite hard and good work, could not overcome.

Harvard Inter-Class Games.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 8.—The Harvard inter-class track games and field events for the Wells Cup were held on Holmes Field this afternoon. The games were successful in spite of the cold day and rather heavy track. The seniors won the games, scoring in all 50 points; '98 was second, with 35 points, and '99 and 1900 scored 30 and 11 points respectively. The only record broken was by F. G. Shaw, '97, who threw the hammer 127 feet 3 inches, thus raising the college record from 125 feet 5 inches.

Eighth Regiment Games.

The games of the Eighth Regiment Athletic Association will be held in the armory, Park Avenue and Ninety-fourth Street, to-morrow evening. Several of the best-known athletes are entered. Among these are Emil Hjertberg of the New Jersey Athletic Club, "Andy" Walsh, Nolan C. O'Sullivan of the Xavier Athletic Association, "Gabe" Hollander of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club, George Sands of the New York Athletic Club, and Frank Romaine of the Seventh Regiment.

Would Buy Its Clubhouse.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Atlantic Yacht Club Wednesday afternoon, an offer was received for the clubhouse at Bay Ridge. The would-be purchaser of the house wants to run it as a resort for yachtsmen, and if his offer is accepted, will put Superintendent Innken in charge.

Athletic Governors to Meet.

President Harry McMillan of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States has given instructions to call a meeting of the Board of Governors to be held in Chicago Tuesday, May 11. This will be during the week of the military carnival.

Champion of Lawn Tennis.

BOSTON, April 8.—George L. Fearing, Jr., won the amateur championship of the United States at court tennis this afternoon on the Boston Athletic Association's court, defeating his clubmate, L. M. Stockton, in a five-set match, 3—8, 6—3, 6—4, 5—7, 6—3.

Yale Invitation Games.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 8.—The Yale invitation games, which were originally scheduled for May 1, will be held April 28, so as not to conflict with the Princeton games, which take place on the former date.

Shooting at Elkwood Park.

The Wolf Hill Handicap, ten birds, will be shot to-morrow at Elkwood Park, N. J. The entrance fee is $7.50, birds extra, and handicaps 25 to 33 yards.

The Brooklyn Club Beaten.

BELFAST, April 8.—A lacrosse team of the Newtownards Club to-day defeated, by a score of 6 to 1, the team of the Crescent Athletic Club of Brooklyn, N. Y.

New Jersey Divides the Pool.

LONDON, April 8.—In the pigeon shoot of the Gun Club at Notting Hill to-day, Mr. Denny of the Carteret Gun Club of New Jersey, divided the pool with a score of five kills.

RACING AT NEWPORT, KY.

A Rainy Day, and but Two of the Favorites Won.

NEWPORT, Ky., April 8.—A cold, disagreeable rain kept everybody but the regulars away from Newport to-day. The track was sloppy, and the finishes strung out. Two out of five favorites were all that crossed the wire first. Summaries:

FIRST RACE.—Six furlongs. Vengeance, 104 pounds, (J. Gardner,) 9 to 2, won; Suydam, 107, (H. Williams,) 3 to 1, and 3 to 5, second; Cynthia H., 102, (Hart,) 25 to 1, third. Time—1:19. Animosa, Imp. Wrangling, and Duchess also ran.

SECOND RACE.—Four and a half furlongs. Lady Disdan, 105 pounds, (J. Hill,) 7 to 5 won; My Maryland, 105, (Hart,) 15 to 1, and 6 to 1, second; Urada, 105, (C. Reiff,) 4 to 1, third. Time—0:59¼. Volzette, Mazite, Love Letter, Sister Mamie, and Blossom's Last also ran.

THIRD RACE.—One mile and seventy yards. Parsons, 94 pounds, (Bibbs,) 2 to 1, won; D. L., 88, (McCann,) 30 to 1, and 7 to 1, second; Wrinthrop, 82, (Chenault,) 8 to 5, third. Time—1:54⅘. Rampart also ran.

FOURTH RACE.—Five furlongs. Bruin, 103 pounds, (Gatewood,) 2 to 1, won; Astor, 103, (J. Hill,) 7 to 2 and 6 to 5, second; Ruin, 100, (Milburn,) 6 to 1, third. Time—1:07. Hume, Skilliman, and Dr. Goodloe also ran.

FIFTH RACE.—Seven furlongs. Pekin, 106 pounds, (Hart,) 3 to 1, won; Sagua, 103, (Beauchamp,) 12 to 1 and 4 to 1, second; Leonard B., 106, (C. Reiff,) 8 to 1, third. Time—1:34½. Liberati, imp. Sautour, Skylark, Signora, and Issie O. also ran.

Results at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.—The racing here resulted as follows:

FIRST RACE.—Purse. Six furlongs. Peril, first; Veragua, second; Logan, third. Time—1:16⅘.

SECOND RACE.—Selling. Six furlongs. Gutta Percha, first; Trappean, second; Nebula, third. Time—1:16.

THIRD RACE.—Half mile, for two-year-olds. Front de Boeuf, first; Elmsere, second; Rey Salzar, third. Time—0:50.

FOURTH RACE.—Purse. Seven furlongs. Salle Cliquot, first; Red Skin, second; Lady Diamond, third. Time—1:29.

FIFTH RACE.—Purse. One mile. Cabrillo, first; Don Clarencio, second; May R., third. Time—1:43¾.

SIXTH RACE.—Purse. Six furlongs. Etta H., first; Shasta Water, second; Midlight, third. Time—1:15¼.

F. Burton Won the Match.

W. C. Floyd Jones and F. Burton shot a match at 100 live birds at the Westminster Kennel Club grounds yesterday. At the end of the fiftieth round the score was a tie, each having killed 41 birds. F. Burton finally won by a score of 79 to 75.

BIG LOBSTER IS CHRISTENED.

"Cabby" Is to be the Name of the Aquarium's Latest Acquisition.

The new giant lobster caught off the Highlands on Wednesday is to be called "Cabby," and not "Sullivan," as at first decided. This was agreed to when Mr. Cabassua, the restaurateur, yesterday afternoon presented him to the Aquarium.

"Cabby" has not yet been assigned to permanent quarters. A wall tank will be prepared for him, as it would not do to have the big fellows together.

"If one should happen to get in the way of the other's crushing claws it would be 'all day' with him," said Mr. Denyse, who is "Fitz's" keeper.

It is not expected that the crustaceans will live long. This is not because of captivity or temperature, but owing to the fact that lobsters live at the bottom of deep water, where the pressure is much greater than in a tank. This lesser density is fatal, the Aquarium keepers say. A smaller lobster lived but six months at the Aquarium.

A Collision and a Fight.

Too much interested in looking at a pretty face in a second-story window on Tenth Avenue Wednesday afternoon, to notice their teams, James Sullivan and W. J. Bough, driving in opposite directions, came in collision. When the resulting fight was over, Sullivan was a prisoner charged with assault in the second degree, and Bough was on his way to the hospital, with a wound on the side of his head. In Jefferson Market Court yesterday Sullivan was held in $1,000 bail for trial.

Bellevue's Name Wrongly Used.

Superintendent Murphy of Bellevue Hospital became angry yesterday on receiving a letter from a man in Winston, N. C., asking for further information of the hospital's "standard cure for the liquor habit." The writer inclosed a circular which advertised such a cure. The Superintendent said he would call the attention of the police to the matter, as Bellevue Hospital has no liquor cure to sell or to use in any way.

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RUNAWAY BOYS IN CUSTODY.

New York Lads Arrested in Poughkeepsie on Their Way West.

POUGHKEEPSIE, April 8.—Five runaway boys faced Recorder Odell to-day, and meekly tried to explain why they were off riding on railroad trains instead of being comfortably tucked in their beds at home. Four were from New York and one from Utica. The New York boys gave their names and addresses as follows: William Gribben, aged thirteen, of 171 East One Hundred and Tenth Street; James Casey, aged fourteen, of 214 East One Hundred and Sixth Street; Herman Friendenburgh, aged fifteen, of 752 Columbus Avenue; Henry Ebin Camel, aged fifteen, of 55½ Downing Street.

Detectives Furlong and Albertson captured the crowd, stowed away in a hay car, bound for the Rockies, fame, and fortune. There were seven in the party, but three got away. One of the three is believed to be named Berry Duane Simmons, as his father, G. Simmons, to-night wired from New York for news of his missing son.

Recorder Odell sent the boys to jail until Chief Platto could hear from their parents. This afternoon Mrs. Gribben wired that she would call in person for her son. Mrs. Friendenburgh sent a letter to say that she had no money to pay her boy's way home. The most daring youngster was Otto Hickok, aged fourteen, son of Perry Hickok of 18 Morris Street, Utica. He was taken from the fast mail from the West, and was so numb from his long, cold ride that he could not stand.

Brought His Children to Brooklyn.

BABYLON, L. I., April 8.—Lawyer W. D. Teece yesterday took his two children, Margarette, aged two years, and Dwight, five years old, and brought them to Brooklyn. He subsequently returned with his father, Lawyer David Teece. They went to the Teece residence, in the fashionable part of this village, and when they departed a trunk containing Mr. Teece's effects was taken from the house. Mrs. Teece would not say why her husband took the children, nor would she tell whether she intended taking any legal action to obtain possession of them.

Minister McKenzie Out of Danger.

LIMA, Peru, April 8.—United States Minister McKenzie's malady has yielded to treatment, and his physicians now pronounce him out of danger. As soon as his condition will permit, he will leave for the United States.

THE UNITED SERVICE.

Navy.

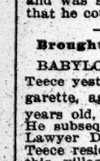
Medical Inspector G. P. Bradley is ordered to the Mare Island Hospital.

Capt. C. D. Sigsbee is detached from the hydrographic office and ordered to command the Maine.

Commander B. H. McCalla is detached from Mare Island Navy Yard and ordered to the War College, at Newport.

Medical Director T. N. Penrose is detached from the New York Naval Hospital and placed on waiting orders.

Medical Director G. W. Woods is detached from Mare Island Hospital and ordered to the New York Naval Hospital.



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Mrs. Rorer's Cooking Lessons

In the April issue Mrs. S. T. Rorer, who now writes exclusively for THE LADIES' HOME JOURNAL, gives instruction in the cooking of meat. Mrs. Rorer also gives a page on market supplies and measures, and two columns of valuable information in answers to correspondents. "A Page of Dainty Luncheons," for the Easter holidays, and "The Business Girl's Luncheon," are two good features of this number.

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REFEREES' NOTICES.

FORTY-NINTH STREET.—New York Supreme Court, City and County of New York.—JOHN W. HARPER and JOSEPH A. HARPER et al., plaintiffs, against ROBERT L. HARRISON et al., defendants.

In pursuance of an interlocutory judgment of partition and sale, duly made and entered in the above-entitled action, and bearing date the 29th day of October, 1896, I, the undersigned, the referee therein named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesrooms, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Thursday, April 22nd, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, by William Kennelly, auctioneer, the premises mentioned in said judgment and therein described as follows, viz.:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, together with the buildings erected thereon, situated, lying, and being in the Nineteenth Ward of the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows:

Commencing at a point in the southerly side of Forty-ninth Street, distant one hundred and twenty-nine (129) feet easterly from the corner formed by the intersection of the said southerly side of Forty-ninth Street with the easterly side of Madison Avenue; thence running southerly, parallel with Madison Avenue, and partly through the centre of a party wall built on the lot herein described and partly on the lot adjoining it on the west, one hundred (100) feet five (5) inches to the centre line of the block between Forty-eighth and Forty-ninth Streets; thence easterly, along the said centre line, parallel with Forty-ninth Street, twenty-one (21) feet; thence northerly, parallel with Madison Avenue, one hundred (100) feet and five (5) inches to the southerly line of Forty-ninth Street, and thence westerly, along the said southerly line of Forty-ninth Street, twenty-one (21) feet to the point or place of beginning.

Subject to certain covenants and restrictions against nuisances and as to character of buildings which are contained in a certain deed from the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb to Alexander M. Ross, recorded in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, in Liber 687 of Conveyances, Page 149, on the 15th day of April, 1853.—Dated New York, March 25, 1897.

THOMAS F. DONNELLY, Referee.

HOLMES & ADAMS, Attorneys for Plaintiffs, 66 Broadway, N. Y. City.
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SUPREME COURT, CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW YORK.—THOMAS R. A. HALL, and WILLIAM H. HALL, composing the firm of William Hall's Sons, plaintiffs, against ALICE G. LEVEY and Emanuel M. Levey, her husband, John Farley, Ralph A. Schoenberg, Charles F. Rosenheim, John F. Douthitt, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made and entered in the above-entitled action and bearing date the nineteenth day of March, A. D., 1897, I, Thomas L. Feitner, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Monday, the nineteenth day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, by Peter F. Meyer, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land with the building thereon erected, situate, lying, and being in the City of New York, and more particularly described as follows: Beginning at a point in the southerly line of Eighty-ninth Street, distant one hundred and sixty-one feet three and one-quarter inches easterly from the southeasterly corner of Eighty-ninth Street and the Riverside Drive, running thence southerly and at right angles with Eighty-ninth Street, and part of the distance through a party wall one hundred feet eight and one-half inches to the centre line of the block; thence easterly and along said centre line twenty feet; thence northerly and again at right angles with Eighty-ninth Street and part of the distance through another party wall one hundred feet eight and one-half inches to the southerly line of Eighty-ninth Street; thence westerly along the said southerly line of Eighty-ninth Street twenty feet to the point or place of beginning.—Dated New York, March 25, 1897.

THOS. L. FEITNER, Referee.

ENNEVER & TRAUTMANN, Esqs., Plaintiffs' Attorneys. mh26-2aw8wF&T&ap19

EAST ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH STREET.—New York Supreme Court, City and County of New York.—WILLIAM COOK, plaintiff, against CHARLES E. COOK and others, defendants.

In pursuance of an interlocutory judgment of partition and sale, duly made and entered in the above-entitled action, bearing date the 30th day of March, 1897, I, the undersigned, referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, Number 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on the 30th day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, on that day, by Richard V. Harnett & Co., Auctioneers, the lands and premises in the said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows: All those two certain lots, pieces, or parcels of land, situated, lying, and being in the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the northerly side of One Hundred and Tenth Street, distant eighty feet westerly from the northwesterly corner of Fourth Avenue (now Park Avenue) and One Hundred and Tenth Street, running thence northerly and parallel with Fourth Avenue one hundred feet ten inches; thence westerly and parallel with One Hundred and Tenth Street fifty feet; thence southerly and parallel with Fourth Avenue one hundred feet ten inches to the northerly line of One Hundred and Tenth Street; and thence easterly and parallel with One Hundred and Tenth Street fifty feet to the point or place of beginning.—Dated New York, March 29th, 1897.

WILLIAM H. BLAIN, Referee.

JACOB S. VAN WYCK, Attorney for Plaintiff, 234 Broadway, New York City.

ROBERT A. B. DAYTON, Attorney for Defendant Wentworth, 5 Beekman Street, New York City.

CHARLES A. WATSON, Attorney for Defendants Cook and Tillotson, 234 Broadway, New York City. mh30-2aw8wTu&F&ap30

REFEREES' NOTICES.

THIRTY-EIGHTH STREET.—Supreme Court, City and County of New York.—HENRY MEUSER, plaintiff, against ANNIE E. DRUMMOND, Thomas J. Farrell, and Edward Elliott, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made and entered in the above-entitled action bearing date the 1st day of March, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the New York Real Estate Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on the 26th day of March, 1897, at twelve o'clock noon on that day, by Richard V. Harnett, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described, as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate, lying and being in the Twentieth Ward of the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Thirty-eighth Street, distant one hundred and eighty-three (183) feet and four (4) inches easterly from the southeasterly corner of Eighth Avenue and Thirty-eighth Street; running thence southerly and parallel with Eighth Avenue and partly through the centre of a party wall ninety-eight (98) feet nine (9) inches to the centre line of the block between Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth Streets; thence running easterly along the said centre line of the block and parallel with Thirty-eighth Street sixteen (16) feet and eight (8) inches; thence northerly and parallel with Eighth Avenue ninety-eight (98) feet and nine (9) inches to Thirty-eighth Street aforesaid, and thence westerly along said southerly side of Thirty-eighth Street sixteen (16) feet and eight (8) inches to the point or place of beginning.—Dated New York, March 9, 1897.

EDWARD S. PECK, Referee.

GEORGE F. MARTENS, Esq., Plaintiff's Attorney, 261 Broadway, New York City, N. Y.

JOHN J. MACKLIN, Attorney for Defendant Drummond, 115 Broadway, New York City.

The sale of the above described premises is hereby adjourned to Friday, April 9, 1897, at the same hour and place.—Dated New York, April 2, 1897. EDWARD S. PECK, Referee.

GEORGE F. MARTENS, Plaintiff's Attorney, 261 Broadway, New York City.

JOHN J. MACKLIN, Attorney for Defendant Drummond, 115 Broadway, New York City.

ST. NICHOLAS AVENUE.—Supreme Court, City and County of New York.—JOSEPH METZ and one, plaintiffs, against WILLIAM V. O'CALLAGHAN and others, defendants.—Action No. 1.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, made and entered in the above entitled action, dated the 1st day of April, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on the 28th day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, by Peter F. Meyer, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, situate, lying, and being in the Twelfth Ward of the City of New York, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue, distant 124 feet 11 inches northerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the easterly side of One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street, and the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue; running thence easterly parallel with One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street, one hundred (100) feet; thence northerly, parallel with St. Nicholas Avenue, twenty (20) feet eleven (11) inches; thence westerly, again parallel with One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street and part of the way through a party wall, one hundred (100) feet to the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue; thence southerly, along the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue, twenty (20) feet eleven (11) inches to the point or place of beginning; said premises being known and designated as No. 708 St. Nicholas Avenue.—Dated New York, April 2nd, 1897. JOHN H. ROGAN, Referee.

JOSEPH M. ALLEN, Plaintiffs' Attorney, 5 Beekman Street, New York City.
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ST. NICHOLAS AVENUE.—Supreme Court, City and County of New York.—JOSEPH METZ and one, plaintiffs, against WILLIAM V. O'CALLAGHAN and others, defendants.—Action No. 2.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, made and entered in the above entitled action, dated the 1st day of April, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Exchange Salesrooms, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on the 28th day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, by Peter F. Meyer, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue, distant one hundred and forty-five (145) feet and ten (10) inches northerly from the corner formed by the intersection of the northerly side of One Hundred and Forty-fifth street and the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue; running thence easterly, and parallel with One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street and part of the way through a party wall, one hundred (100) feet; thence northerly, and parallel with the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue, twenty-one (21) feet; thence westerly, again parallel with One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street and part of the way through a party wall, one hundred (100) feet to the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue; and thence southerly, along the easterly side of St. Nicholas Avenue, twenty-one (21) feet to the point or place of beginning; said premises being known and designated as number 710 St. Nicholas Avenue.

Dated New York, April 2nd, 1897. JOHN H. ROGAN, Referee.

JOSEPH M. ALLEN, Plaintiffs' Attorney, 5 Beekman Street, New York City.
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ST. NICHOLAS AVENUE.—Supreme Court, City and County of New York.—JOSEPH METZ and one, plaintiffs, against WILLIAM V. O'CALLAGHAN and others, defendants.—Action No. 3.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, made and entered in the above entitled action, dated the 1st day of April, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Exchange Salesrooms, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on the 28th day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, by Peter F. Meyer, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Decatur Avenue as legally opened, distant one hundred and forty-six and 37-100 feet northerly from the northwesterly corner of Decatur Avenue and Travers (East 198th) Street, as the latter is shown on Commissioners' Map No. 472, filed in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, September 7th, 1894, and running thence northerly along said westerly side of Decatur Avenue eighteen and 92-100 feet; thence westerly and parallel, or nearly so, to Travers Street, and part of the way through the centre of a party wall ninety-nine and 92-100 feet; thence southerly and parallel, or nearly so, to Decatur Avenue eighteen and 93-100 feet; thence easterly and parallel, or nearly so, to Travers Street, and part of the way through the centre of a party wall, ninety-nine and 86-100 feet to the point or place of beginning. Being a part of the premises conveyed to said Henry E. Thorn by Charlotte A. Williams, by deed dated May 27th, 1895, and recorded in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, in Section 12, Liber 7 of Block Series of Conveyances, at page 248.—Dated April 1st, 1897.

GIBSON PUTZEL, Referee.

REUBEN LESLIE MAYNARD, Attorney for Plaintiff, 32 Nassau Street, New York City.
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DECATUR AVENUE.—NEW YORK SUPREME Court, City and County of New York.—OTTILIE LAUER, plaintiff, against HENRY E. THORN and AMELIA W. THORN, his wife, and John Stingerland, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, made in the above-entitled action, and entered and filed in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York, on the 26th day of March, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, by James L. Wells, auctioneer, on the 22d day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, the premises mentioned and described in said judgment as follows, to wit:

All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate, lying, and being in the Twenty-fourth Ward of the City of New York, and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the westerly side of Decatur Avenue as legally opened, distant one hundred and twenty-seven and 45-100 feet northerly from the northwesterly corner of Decatur Avenue and Travers (198th) Street, as the latter is shown on Commissioners' Map No. 472, filed in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, September 7th, 1894, and running thence northerly along said westerly side of Decatur Avenue eighteen and 92-100 feet; thence westerly and parallel, or nearly so, to Travers Street, and part of the way through the centre of a party wall ninety-nine and 86-100 feet to the point or place of beginning. Being a part of the premises conveyed to said Henry E. Thorn by Charlotte A. Williams, by deed dated May 27th, 1895, and recorded in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, in Section 12, Liber 7 of Block Series of Conveyances, at page 248.—Dated April 1st, 1897.

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PRESSURE.

Senator CHANDLER sends forth a cry of alarm and distress about the Dingley bill. There is danger, he says, that the "enormous pressure from all parts of the country for high duties" may kill the bill. The Republicans are not in a majority. They need help to pass the bill. If it is made too outrageously bad, they may not get this help, and the bill may fail.

We have little confidence in the sincerity of this appeal from Mr. CHANDLER. It sounds like a device to secure the already outrageously bad rates that came from the House. If Mr. CHANDLER can make the country believe that the Senate is courageously resisting greater demands, it may be in part forgiven for granting the actual demands, which, on the whole, are the worst in the history of tariff legislation. There is a "combine" reported of Western Republican Senators to secure a tax on hides, greater taxes on wool, an increase on lead in ore, and to retain the House duties on coal and lumber. This is, very likely, another part of the same game that Mr. CHANDLER is engaged in.

Undoubtedly there is "pressure" from various quarters, but it is not general, and though it is intense, it is not "tremendous." It is not the pressure of public opinion. It does not come from any interests extending over the whole country or any large part of it. It does not even come from any considerable class. It is simply the pressure of small bands of greedy men who have the power, through their money, to affect elections. Many of these have already contributed largely to the campaign expenses of Republicans in the House and the Senate. Others can do so. Most of them can injure the chances of a Senator or a Representative in his State or his district, and are ready to help or hinder as they shall get or not get the favors they are after. The whole pressure which Mr. CHANDLER cries out about is a thinly veiled form of either bribery or blackmail. We do not charge that it involves individual corruption. We simply point out that it is a corrupt tendency which is deeply involved in legislation for private interests, instead of for public good. No protective tariff was ever free from its influence, or can be. This particular one is the worst ever known, because it is the latest. Increase of appetite grows with what it feeds upon, and always will.

THE HEIGHT OF POLITICAL FOLLY.

The vote by which a caucus of Republican Senators at Albany decided to drive through that body the most obnoxious of the amendments of the Raines law was not even a majority of the majority. There are thirty-six Republican Senators, and the vote was 17 to 13. Of the six whose votes were not recorded, one was present and abstained on account of his aversion to the bill, and three went so far as to refuse to attend the caucus at all. The position of two, Mr. PAGE and Mr. MULLIN, was left undefined, but there were at least seventeen Republican Senators known to be opposed to forcing the amendments through.

And yet this seems to be accepted as a caucus decree which all Republican Senators are expected to obey under the pains and penalties of party excommunication. It means that the Raines law amendments, including that which subjects all clubs to the liquor tax and degrades them to the level of saloons, are to be put through the Senate, and made a test of party fidelity in the Assembly by a ukase from the "boss" in Washington. That at least seems to be the present understanding.

It is for the Senators and Assemblymen from the cities of the State to decide whether they will obey the "boss" or faithfully represent their constituents, who are opposed to this outrageous and benighted legislation without distinction of party. Of the effect of their support of this measure upon their own fortunes and upon the vote of their party in the cities there can be no doubt. It cannot be otherwise than disastrous. Men like ELLSWORTH and RAINES say that this oppressive measure is demanded by the party throughout the State, and they profess to believe that what they call the "patriotism" of Republicans in the cities will lead them to stand by the party in spite of it.

Where do these men think the independent vote is strongest—in the cities or in the country? The kind of partisanship which they call "patriotism" does not control one-third of the vote of New York City, and this one act of legislation will drive more votes from their ticket in this city alone than it would be capable of losing from any cause in all the rest of the State.

The act of this Raines caucus was an exhibition of political idiocy, and the whole policy of rural legislators in forcing obnoxious restrictions and oppressive requirements upon the people of the cities is a policy of partisan madness. The only consolation we have is that it will hasten the overthrow of the power which is so abused, and the people must see to it that it is not followed by another that would be as bad. The wrong that RAINES and his associates are doing is not so grievous to this city as it will prove to be to their party, and it is Republicans who have most reason to protest against it. Partisan Democrats have reason to rejoice over it, but good citizens must deprecate such folly in either party.

THE JOINT TRAFFIC AGREEMENT.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission is evidently preparing to go very thoroughly into the question of the discrimination in rates charged against the Joint Traffic Association. Its order to each of the roads constituting the association to produce all the documents and contracts, and a statement of the operation of all oral agreements affecting transportation, is very comprehensive. It embraces the elements of terminal charges and looks to a careful inspection of the entire cost laid on freight from start to finish.

Such an investigation is not only proper but imperative. And yet, after it has been made, and after the Inter-State Commerce Commission shall have reached as clear an idea as is possible touching all the bearings of this complex matter, it will still be seriously doubtful what can be done about it. If it is found that unreasonable discrimination has been made against New York, that will under the law be illegal. But the powers of the commission to deal with a violation or disregard or evasion of the law are not well defined, and are indirect and of uncertain efficacy. The fact is, as has been clearly pointed out by Mr. SIMON STERNE, who is an expert in these matters, and as we have ourselves long maintained, the commission is a device that either goes too far or not far enough. In our judgment, it does not go far enough. It has not authority to intervene soon enough or in a sufficiently effectual manner.

The time for the Government to intervene in a really practical manner is before agreements or rates are made. If these were framed by the railways, subject to the approval of the Government, there would be some chance of securing both justice and efficacy. But Americans, like every other free people, learn the art of managing their affairs slowly, by much varied experience.

THE DISASTROUS LEVEE SYSTEM.

Every year after the disastrous flood in the lower Mississippi Valley we have been wont to point to its annually increasing destructiveness as a demonstration of the costly futility of the levee system, upon which the Government has squandered so much money. Congress is voting money without Constitutional warrant to alleviate distress which has been aggravated if not actually caused by the Government works for controlling the waters of the Mississippi River. The annual overflow only demonstrates with terrible force what ordinary human sagacity ought to foresee, and, so far as practicable, to guard against.

The Mississippi River pursues a winding course through hundreds of miles of flat country, and it constantly brings down from the Missouri a great mass of sediment held in suspension and scattered along the bottom. The natural effect is to raise the level of the bottom here and there all along its course, causing more or less changes in the channel and producing overflows when the Spring floods come. It is the purpose of the levee system to prevent these changes of channel and these overflows by confining the stream within prescribed limits by means of rigid artificial banks where the natural ones are insufficient. The result is that the river goes quietly along its way for about ten months of the year, scattering its tons and tons of sediment within the channel to which a beneficent Government confines it, and raising the bottom a few feet higher than it was the year before. Thereby its capacity for holding water between the artificial barriers is reduced, and when the floods come down from the mountains in the Spring there are breaks and overflows more disastrous than ever known before. Gradually the levee system builds the river bed above the level of the adjacent country and increases the area of submergence.

It is the theory of the system that by confining the waters between rigid embankments they can be made to scour out the channel and keep the bottom at its proper level if not to sink it toward the bowels of the earth. Because at the delta, where the accumulated volume of water makes its way into the Gulf by a dozen mouths, a deep channel can be kept open for ships by the scouring process between the jetties, it is assumed that that process will work through the long and winding channel from Cairo to New Orleans. There never was a more gigantic instance of the failure of human reason and the committing of Government to a stupendous blunder.

We do not undertake to say how the waters of the unmanageable Mississippi are to be managed, though the plan of increasing outlets instead of stopping them up would mitigate its behavior. It cannot be absolutely controlled, and must be humored in a scientific way. But the dunderheaded policy of trying to bind it with levees and force it to keep a channel prescribed by "the book of arithmetic" and the statutes of the United States is a colossal failure which was predestined from the foundation of the earth.

THE BRITISH MARKET.

There is no doubt that Prof. BRYCE's charge, during the debate in the House of Commons on the Agricultural Marks bill, was well founded. The measure undoubtedly received most of its support because it was regarded as a measure of protection. The same squirearchy which used to dictate the exclusion of American cattle from British markets on the pretense of sanitary protection, which has been taken by the demand for fair trade, and which would like, if it could, to propose the repeal of the corn laws, is without doubt enlisted in favor of this most recent attempt at protection. The President of the Board of Agriculture, who is also a member of the House, disclaimed that interpretation, and his disclaimer may be accepted as sincere for his own part. He said that the purpose of the bill was "to protect British produce from fraud, and not for protection against imports." But it is plain that it would not have commanded so general a support and passed the House by nearly two to one, if it had not been expected to put the American producer at a disadvantage, compared with the British producer, either by diminishing the import of his product or by lowering its price.

The bill is not, however, by any means a measure of retaliation, and it is, upon its face, entirely unobjectionable. It is quite right that American produce should pass for what it is and stand on its own merits in competition with British produce in the British market. With regard to cereals there can be no question, and this measure will not affect them. Our breadstuffs are not only sure to be "up to grade," but they arrive in cleaner and better order than like imports from any other country. Mr. BRYCE suggested that the effect of the enactment might be simply to show the British consumer how much cheaper foreign meat is than home-grown meat. But American meat, if it be sold under its own name and on its own merits, ought to command as high a price as the British product. If Britons have hitherto been willing to pay for their prejudices, as the bill implies and as is implied in the fact that dealers offer American meat as British, they will not be willing to do so any longer if they find the imported article as good as the native.

That they may find it so should be the care of our exporters. With regard to beef, we believe there is now little room for improvement. With regard to salt meats, the late Secretary of Agriculture gave producers and packers a much-needed admonition when he told them that they did not study enough to meet the tastes of the foreign consumer, and that in consequence there was a discrimination in price against American bacon in the British market. The difference here can be a difference only in curing and packing. With regard to dairy products, it is to be feared that the difference is a real difference in the quality of the article. In the article of cheese we have shown heretofore that a very promising export trade to Great Britain has been ruined by the greed of American exporters, who have cheapened their product by adulteration, with the result that the trade has actually fallen much below what it was twenty years ago. Here is evidently work for a dairy association. If the mark of such an association is a real guarantee of quality, its product will in a short time command the confidence it deserves and the accompanying price. In any case, our exporters, if they will only behave themselves and export an honest product which can be sold on its merits, have nothing to fear from the enactment of the Agricultural Marks bill.

BRYAN WANTS TO BUY MONTICELLO.

Mr. WILLIAM J. BRYAN is bestirring himself to raise money to buy Monticello, the home and burial place of THOMAS JEFFERSON, and to maintain it as a National reservation. If Congress refuses to make an appropriation for the purpose, he will appeal to "the Democrats of the country" to subscribe the needed funds.

Mr. JEFFERSON M. LEVY, the owner of Monticello, declines to sell, but Mr. BRYAN ought not to mind him. The accident of ownership and possession confers no rights which he is accustomed to respect. There are only 740 acres in Monticello, anyway—a bagatelle compared with the 3,000,000 square miles of which BRYAN tried to diminish or destroy the value last Summer by running for President.

The plan to buy the home of JEFFERSON and maintain it as a Mecca for J. K. JONES, BEN TILLMAN, GEORGE G. VEST, THOMAS E. WATSON, WILLIAM SULZER, B. B. SMALLEY, HENRY GEORGE, and W. J. BRYAN is so felicitous and fit that it is sure to be widely imitated. It is probable that the clear and well-understood relation of the principles of Mr. BRYAN to the principles of the father of the Democratic Party will determine the organizers of all similar projects in their choice of the hero they propose to honor.

The Amalgamated Association of Card Sharps and Thimble Riggers will acquire the tomb of MADISON. The Bunko Steerers' Union will buy the Hermitage and make it the favorite resort of the gentry who get their living by their wits. But they will want to keep away from the place on the nights when ANDREW JACKSON'S shade is in the habit of walking. LINCOLN'S tomb at Springfield will become the property of the Sons of the Peace-at-Any-Price men, while the Descendants of the Blue-Light Federalists will bid high for the resting place of JAMES MONROE at Richmond.

It is a kind of desecration to continue the list. We cannot think of JOHN MOST in this relation to a project concerning Mount Vernon without an uncomfortable feeling. But BRYAN'S designs upon Monticello stir the indignation almost as deeply.

Where are the Democrats who have not forfeited their honest inheritance from JEFFERSON? Have they no swift words of rebuke for this mountebank apostle of fraud and disorder who has lately begun to set himself up as lord of the fee of JEFFERSON'S political estate? We wonder if JEFFERSON'S birthday will pass without other observance than the Bryanite banquet?

Seven of the unofficial members of the Greater New York Charter Commission, four of whom are prominent and well-known Republicans and only two of whom were ever known as Democrats, have joined in a vigorous protest against the Grand Boulevard and Concourse bill which proposes to put in charge of a State commission the most important work of municipal improvement now in contemplation. They say that it is "hardly conceivable" to them that the same Legislature that passed the Greater New York charter should "pass a measure of this character, in such flagrant violation of the principle of home rule embodied in the charter." Why is it not conceivable that a Legislature which would pass that charter would do anything?

It is a manly stand that Senator CAFFERY of Louisiana takes as to the tariff. So manly and sound is it that the only wonder is that any one should be called on to remark it. It is but the simple, practical application of honesty and common sense to the duties of a legislator. He will not support the Dingley bill or any part of it merely because some of his constituents think that it would put money into their pockets. He judges the bill as a matter of policy, for the whole country and for every section and class, and he condemns it. "It will blight the budding promise of increased export of American manufactures," he says. "It will cripple the export of our cereals, fibre, fuel, and raw materials. It will add enormously to the burden of the toiling masses of our people. It will create greater discontent where discontent is already threatening the peace and stability of society."

The Governor's Forestry bill is through both houses of the Legislature, and of course he will make haste to complete its enactment into law. He will have to bear the responsibility, not only for the composition of the Forest Preserve Board, but for the manner in which its extraordinary powers are to be exercised. The act was virtually framed and forced through the Legislature by him.

The shipbuilders and shipowners who have gathered in Washington to promote the growth of American shipping by legislation fight shy of the Elkins bill for differential duties. Apparently they prefer subsidies, though they have not yet formulated their scheme. Money in hand is worth much more than the chance of carrying on a trade that may be choked by taxation.

Mr. MCKINLEY has gone off on the Dolphin for an outing which may extend to the fore part of next week, and not a whisper is heard in any quarter that he is not doing a perfectly proper thing. He is, but so was Mr. CLEVELAND when he was most maliciously abused by newspapers that knew the propriety of his conduct as well as they now know that of Mr. MCKINLEY.

It was a natural sequence to the election of HARRISON in Chicago that an attempt should instantly be made to repeal the civil service law of Illinois. A bill has accordingly been introduced and advanced promptly in the lower house. The Republicans in that house have a majority of twenty-one and in the Senate twenty-seven. They can pass this monstrous repeal if they wish, and they will receive no opposition from the Democratic politicians. The law now in operation is purely permissive and applies to cities only. Under it Chicago has the best civil service system it has ever had, probably as good as any in the country, and it is steadily improving. To abandon it would be folly and worse. Nor shall we believe that the vigorous and sound public sentiment which rescued the city two years ago will now permit it to lapse into the barbarism of the spoils system.

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

—When the Seaforth Highlanders were landed in Crete the other day as one of England's contributions toward the "pacification" of that island, an astonished resident of Candia is said to have exclaimed: "If the men dress like this, how do the women dress?" This anecdote has recalled one that dates from Balaklava. After that battle a Russian General asked an English prisoner who and what the queerly dressed soldiers were whose "thin red line" had so contemptuously repulsed a charge of the Russian cavalry. Instead of answering that they were Sir COLIN'S Highlanders, the man replied: "Those? Oh, those are the wives of the men on gray horses." The "men on gray horses," of course, were the Scots Grays, who had on the same day taken part in the charge of SCARLETT'S Heavy Brigade and scattered a huge inert mass of Russian cavalrymen.

—In commenting on remarks made in this paper some days ago on the apparently inevitable destruction of the Palisades, The Providence Journal says: "Americans boast of the Hudson as the 'American Rhine,' and declare that it surpasses the famous German stream in its appeal to the eye, though as yet inferior in the legendary or historical associations that strike the imagination. But try to conceive of the destruction of 'the castled crag of Drachenfels' or the tearing down of the familiar pile of Ehrenbreitstein by the Germans! The idea is absurdly incongruous. It is left for a people who pride themselves upon being 'progressive' and 'practical' to countenance such a foolish as well as wicked relapse into barbarism." The point is well taken and made, though it must be remembered that America as a whole is not quite so deeply disgraced by the utilization of the Palisades as a source of paving material as Germany would be by a similar desecration of the Rhine's banks. Here the direct responsibility falls on a single State, which cannot be spurred to action by either the appeals or the denunciations of the other States, while all Germany would have to reckon with indignant nations. It is the more humiliating in our case that foreign comment on the destruction of the Palisades is more angry than surprised. Our critics dare to say that they could expect nothing better from us. It would take, alas, more courage than theirs to charge them with injustice.

—Regret, moderately deep and thoroughly sincere, will be excited all over the country by the announcement that The Lark has ceased publication. Of all the freakish little magazines, this was the only one whose originality was of such peculiar quality that even the remarkable success of San Francisco's queer bird did not tempt a lot of heavier fowl to try to imitate its erratic flights. Not every one admired The Lark. A considerable number of people could see no humor and less meaning in its songs, but thousands of others had keener eyes and ears, and looked and listened with delight. For two years the strong brown creature has lived what seemed to be a vigorous life. Now, for some wholly mysterious reason, it has flown away. The only explanation its editor vouchsafes is that The Lark's mission is ended, while the publisher declares that the end has come at "the happiest, sunniest hour," which must be taken as a denial of implied suspicions that public support was waning. What on earth The Lark's "mission" may have been we have not the faintest idea, and therefore cannot deny or affirm that the editor's assertion is true and sufficient, but it is certain that folks still bought and read the magazine, so there is no reason to question that of the publisher. It is well, however, that The Lark's demise, like its birth, should create amazement. That—to be as illogical and inconsistent as The Lark itself—was doubtless its "mission." And won't there be a skurrying about after back numbers in the next few days! Happy is he who has a complete file.

PERSONAL.

—A peculiar form of insurance, common enough in England, but almost or quite unknown in this country, is illustrated by reports of recent transactions in London. There many persons who have invested large sums in renting windows along the route of the great June procession have minimized their risk by taking out policies on the life of the Queen. A large number of such insurances have been effected at Lloyd's at the rate of 5 guineas per cent. for three months. Double this percentage is the quotation for "risks" which guarantee the insurer from loss through the abandonment of the procession from any cause whatever; and as much as 20 guineas per cent. premium has been paid on sums varying from three to ten thousand pounds against the risk of the route being changed. So much business has been done in this connection that nearly all except the most speculative underwriters will not touch any more. The lives of the royal family are anxiously watched by members of Lloyd's, and it is said that an unforeseen accident to any one of the royal house would create something like a panic among those whose financial position is, in their own metaphor, "A1 at Lloyd's."

—Chicago may well rejoice over the fact that most persons want better proof of a statement's accuracy than the knowledge that it was uttered by Mrs. ANNIE BESANT. Were it not for this the Chicagoans would hardly survive the knowledge that the Theosophical priestess has put in cold type the following "appreciation" of their city: "No one who is the least sensitive, far less any one who by training has had some of the inner senses awakened, can pass, not only within Chicago, but within miles of Chicago, without being conscious of a profound sense of depression that comes down upon him, a sense of shrinking, as it were, from pollution, a sense of horror which at first is not clearly recognized nor is its source at once seen." This is truly terrible, and the danger against which Chicago must guard at once is the possibility that somebody less given than Mrs. BESANT to mistaking fancies for reality may boldly declare that in this particular instance she isn't far from right. Listen to the experience on which her declaration is founded: "I was reading, as I am in the habit of doing, in the train, and I did not even know that I was coming within a considerable distance of the town. I was conscious suddenly of this sense of oppression that came upon me; I did not recognize it at first—my thoughts were anywhere but in the city—but it made itself so strongly felt that I began to look and to try to sense what it was that was causing this result; and I found very soon what the reason of it was, and then I remembered that I was coming into the great slaughter-house of the United States. It was as though one came within a physical pall of blackness and of misery—this psychic or astral result being, as it were, the covering that overspreads that mighty town."

—What one of the Caracas papers describes as "a strange agitation" is manifesting itself all through Venezuela. This is due to the fact that the people of that peculiar country are soon to go through the formality of casting votes for a new President. This done, the various candidates will, as usual, decide the question as to which of them is the choice of the people. The latter process is so often an exciting one that no wonder the Venezuelans already feel an anticipatory tremor. The coming struggle will be, not between two parties, but between the Liberal factions, for the Conservatives are not numerous enough to take a prominent part in it. The Liberals are divided into several groups, each with its own leader and each claiming to monopolize all the political and civic virtues. The session of the Venezuelan Congress that has just begun will afford an opportunity for the various candidates to make known their ambitions and programmes and to secure adherents. They will not neglect the chance, and this prospect is what explains the "strange agitation." Among the names most discussed at Caracas are those of Dr. JUAN FRANCISCO CASTILLO, Gen. FRANCISCO TOSTA GARCIA, and Gen. JOSE MANUEL HERNANDEZ. These are all thorough-going persons, each of whom rejects with scorn the idea of seeking aid from the Conservatives or from Liberals of another brand than himself, and promises to put only his own followers in office. It is interesting to note, however, that there is a fourth aspirant for power, Gen. IGNACIO ANDRADE, who appeals for support to all men of good will desirous of advancing the country's welfare, no matter to what party they may have belonged in the past. This has at least the outward form and semblance of that awful thing, Mugwumpism, and it is alarming, as indicative of the spread even to South America of that evil spirit, that, although a great majority of Gen. ANDRADE'S supporters are stanch Liberals, many Venezuelans who have never before taken an active part in politics and several influential members of the old Conservative Party have enrolled themselves under his banner.

CURRENT NOTES.

Philadelphia vital statistics, which have the reputation of being pretty carefully compiled, show that there were 30,961 births in the Quaker City last year, 13,186 marriage licenses, and 23,962 deaths.

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Gov. Pingree of Michigan did not vote in Detroit at the judicial and municipal election on Monday. In fact, he neglected to register. Speaking of it afterward, as he is reported, he said that the last time he voted the Inspectors opened his ballot, contrary to law, and he decided not to bother them this time.

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The Philadelphia police made 58,072 arrests last year, which was 2,365 fewer than in 1895. But there were 3,650 more lodgers in the station houses than in 1895, the total number of these being 49,438. Thus "hard times" made an increased number of the homeless, and yet there was a decrease in crime—or in detection.

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Utah will celebrate in July the fiftieth anniversary of its settlement, and they who take pride in the history of the Territory and State are advocating the establishment of a historical society to preserve the memories of the past. Materials are abundant, and some of the history thus to be preserved is unique in American annals.

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The Republicans of the Twenty-fifth District of Pennsylvania have nominated Dr. Joseph B. Showalter of Butler County to fill the vacancy in Congress caused by the death of James J. Davidson of Beaver County. It took thirteen ballots to decide the matter. Dr. Showalter at one time attended the Long Island College Hospital in Brooklyn, and he has served in each branch of the Pennsylvania Legislature.

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Not very many years ago ex-Gov. John D. Long of Massachusetts, who is now Secretary of the Navy; Eugene Hale of Maine, who is Chairman of the Senate Naval Committee, and Representative Samuel G. Hilborn of California, who was a member of the House Committee on Naval Affairs at the last session, and is likely to be continued this session when the committees are appointed, were schoolmates and playfellows in Hebron, Me. The little town is very proud of this.

REPUTABLE JOURNALISM.

A Reaction Now Setting in Against the Other Kind.

From The Journal of Pedagogy.

The cause of reputable journalism in this country is being greatly strengthened by the efforts which the present management of THE NEW YORK TIMES is making to issue a paper that shall furnish in an attractive form all the information about the world's doings that can have any interest or value to a person of intelligence and refinement. A reaction is beginning to set in against the vileness of what passes under the name of the new journalism, and the evidences of disgust that are manifesting themselves against the demoralizing influences of the modern daily newspaper are to be interpreted as an awakening on the part of the decent element of society to the far-reaching influence for evil exerted by the sensationalism of the daily press. Educators are in a position to see the influence of the sensational newspaper in corrupting the literary taste of the young, and whatever they can do to further the cause of clean journalism should be done as a duty they owe to the community they serve. For use in the home and school THE NEW YORK TIMES is more nearly the ideal newspaper than this country has yet produced. It excludes from its columns everything that a self-respecting man would not read aloud to his family, and yet gives all the news that one needs to know to keep himself well informed on the daily happenings in every part of the world. The literary department of THE TIMES is especially strong. Whether the high standard which THE TIMES has set for itself will receive substantial recognition from the public is yet to be seen, but we believe that it will.

"THE WEDDING DAY."

Miss Russell, Miss Fox, and Mr. De Angelis Appear in Combination.

At the Casino last night a new operetta entitled "The Wedding Day," the book by Stanislas Stange and the music by Julian Edwards, was brought forward. The work was prepared as a vehicle for the new combination of operetta "stars" consisting of Lillian Russell, Della Fox, and Jefferson De Angelis. Perhaps the attempt to conduct operetta on lines rendered familiar by grand opera methods may result in benefit and perhaps it may result in injury, but that is a topic which may be left for future discussion. It may be said at once, however, that there was nothing overwhelming in the revelation made last night of the new combination. If may have appeared dazzling to the times when every good operetta performer did not aspire to the road and his or her own company there was nothing amazing. We seemed for a time to have made some beneficial retrogression toward the days when De Wolf Hopper, Jefferson De Angelis, Digby Bell, Edwin Hoff, Marion Manola, and Mathilde Cottrelly were all members of what was regarded as a good operetta stock company.

The operetta provided by Messrs. Canary & Lederer for their new combination will serve its purpose. It is not a work of distinction nor of more than average merit, but it will do. It gives each of the trio of "stars" such opportunities as they best know how to use, and the only wonder it causes is because of its paucity of situations of the kind in which Miss Russell has been wont to shine. She has scope for the exhibition of her voice, but she does not wear her customary outfit of dazzling garments, nor does she stand often alone in the centre of the stage and sing solos. Mr. Edwards has chosen rather to employ her brilliant and powerful voice in concerted pieces and ensembles, where, indeed, it puts the cap upon some effective bits of musical architecture.

Such praise as the operetta itself commands belongs chiefly to the composer, who has written ambitiously but generally without the facile fluency of his other scores. There are more evidences of effort, less spontaneity, and more reminiscences in "The Wedding Day" music than in other things composed by Mr. Edwards. This, however, must not be understood as a complete condemnation of his work; for he always writes like a musician and in an interesting style. Last night's operetta has many excellent numbers, and there is one concerted piece in the first act which aroused deserved enthusiasm. The music of "The Wedding Day" will probably wear well, because it is carefully and substantially made. It is a little overladen in the instrumentation in some parts, a fault which would be less apparent in a theatre in which the orchestra was not so prominently thrust into the auditorium.

Mr. Stange did not have an easy task in writing a libretto to meet the demands of the new combination, and it seems probable that there will be some jealousies and some bickerings caused by the fact that Miss Fox has decidedly the best part. Which goes to prove the doctrine so often preached in these columns that it is easier to make a central figure in operetta of a comedienne than of a beautiful woman who can sing. Yet Miss Russell's performance last night was one of the most charming she has recently given this public. She was always a lovely, if a somewhat generous, picture, and she was quite equal to the histrionic demands of her role. She sang delightfully, and in the ensembles her voice was of great value.

Miss Fox was not altogether at her ease, and she was not so arch as she usually is, but she will undoubtedly develop her performance. Her voice is sadly worn by her bad vocal method. Mr. de Angelis was brimming with fun last night, and never acted with more spirit. His song of "The Mermaid and the Whale" was a good song well sung and well acted, and his national dances were clever. Mr. William Pruette, as an aged Duke of amorous propensities, acted acceptably, and sang with unusual discretion. Miss Lucille Saunders, as a Duchess who did much to make the plot of the operetta too thick, sang in a very stilted style. "The Wedding Day" is beautifully put upon the stage, and the stage picture at the opening of the second act is one of the handsomest ever seen at the Casino, which is saying a good deal.

AN ART DISPLAY TO THE MASSES

The remarkable results in attendance and interest effected by the projectors of the art exhibitions which were held in the Summers of 1892, 1893, and 1895, and last year on the east side, and in the most thickly populated portions of the city, have encouraged these gentlemen to arrange for a similar exhibition this year. It will open at the Institute Building of the Educational Alliance, at East Broadway and Jefferson Street, May 1, and will continue until May 23.

It will be remembered that the idea of these down-town exhibitions originated with A. C. Bernheim, and that they were held for three years by the University Settlement Society. In 1895 this society had the co-operation of the Educational Alliance, and the latter organization took entire charge of the exhibition last year. The first exhibition—that of 1892, which was held in the rooms at the corner of Grand and Allen Streets, and remained open three weeks—was visited by 36,095 persons. The exhibition of 1893, which was held at 26 Delancey Street, from June 17 until July 29, had an attendance of 56,169, and, while there was no exhibition held in 1894, the attendance at the display in 1895, from May 7 to June 9, reached the startling figure of 105,696. Last year the exhibition was only open for eighteen days, from May 4 to May 21, and the attendance was 90,039.

This year the alliance, which again has charge of the exhibition, will have the benefit of the co-operation of the following artists in the selection and arrangement of the pictures: J. Wells Champney, H. Siddons Mowbray, J. G. Brown, Carroll Beckwith, Joseph Evans, Francis C. Jones, I. A. Josephi, and Dora Wheeler Keith.

A committee from the Public Education Society, consisting of Mrs. Schuyler Van Rensselaer, Mrs. Edward S. Mead, and Miss Anna Murray Vail, is also lending its assistance. Paintings have already been promised from the galleries of Morris K. Jesup, Frederick Vanderbilt, Charles W. Gould, Jacob H. Schiff, Isaac N. Seligman, J. Hampden Robb, William T. Evans, Miss Breese, Mrs. T. Bloodgood, B. Altman, Mayer Lehman, and Messrs. Fishel, Adler & Schwartz. It is hoped that other collectors and owners of pictures will lend them to the alliance in order that they may be enjoyed by the poor people in the lower wards.

Benjamin Tuska is Chairman of the committee having the exhibit in charge, and persons having paintings which they are willing to loan can communicate with him at 87 Nassau Street. The paintings will be called for, insured, and returned without expense to the owners. Mr. Tuska is assisted by Sidney Blumenthal, Morris W. Benjamin, Philip J. Goodhart, Prof. Edwin R. A. Seligman, Felix Warburg, and Lee Kohns, all of whom are Directors of the Educational Alliance.

The committee feels that the ennobling influences of fine pictures upon people accustomed to a life of hardship and poverty and to the squalid surroundings of overcrowded tenement districts cannot be overestimated. The exhibition will be preceded by three free lectures on art, illustrated by stereopticon views, which will be given in the auditorium of the Institute Building. The first, on April 14, will be delivered by Prof. Solomon Wolf of the College of the City of New York, on "The Graphic Art"; another, on April 19, by A. T. Van Laer, on "The Modern Dutch Painters," and the third, on April 24, by Prof. Charles Sprague-Smith, on "The Barbizon Painters."

THE SONG OF THE HAT.

Carolyn Wells in Chicago Times-Herald.

With manner haughty and proud,
At a crowded Saturday mat.,
A woman sat in unwomanly gear,
Wearing a Theatre Hat.
Bob, bob, bob,
Now this way and now that;
I tried to get a view of the stage
From behind that Theatre Hat.

Bob, bob, bob,
As the interest grows more keen,
And bob, bob, bob,
To dodge that bobbing brim!
Bird, feather, and flower,
Flower, feather, and bird—
Until at the end of the second hour
I say an awful word!

Oh, girls with brothers dear,
Oh, girls with lovers, and beaux,
It's not the hat you're wearing out;
It's the patience and love of those.
Bob, bob, bob,
If I could only get a peep!
Alas, that hats should be so dear,
And theatre seats so cheap!

Bob, bob, bob,
My head incessant wags;
And what is the prospect? A hat of straw,
Or velvet, or felt and rags!
That ostrich plume and this pheasant's wing,
A buckle, a mop of hair;
A bunch of bows and a cabbage rose!
Do you wonder I want to swear?

Oh, but to see the stage,
The heroine blonde and sweet!
Oh, to behold the villain rage
And watch the soubrette's feet!
For only one short hour
To see as I used to see,
Before I knew the woes of a Hat
Wabbling in front of me!

With manner haughty and proud,
At a crowded Saturday mat.,
A woman sat in unwomanly gear
Wearing a Theatre Hat!
Bob, bob, bob,
Now this way and now that;
And still with my voice at concert pitch,
Would that its tone could reach the rich!
I sing the Song of the Hat!

NEWS FROM THE OLD WORLD

The Coming Postal Congress a Subject of Inquiry in the British House.

INDIA'S PLAGUE DECREASING.

The Law of Evidence Bill Passed to Second Reading in the House of Commons—To Try Public Officials in France.

LONDON, April 8.—In the House of Commons to-day the Financial Secretary to the Treasury, Mr. R. W. Hanbury, replying to a question as to whether care would be taken, at the Washington Postal Congress, to reserve for the Imperial and Colonial Governments complete freedom of action with respect to postal arrangements, including charges, within the limits of the British Empire, said that in 1890 the Post Office Department was advised that it did not have the power to establish rates differing from those prescribed by the Postal Union between Great Britain and her colonies.

Continuing, Mr. Hanbury explained that the Congress of Vienna held that Great Britain might establish, with her colonies, rates below the union rates, but above her inland rates. Mr. Hanbury further said he did not know whether this would be confirmed by the Washington Congress.

As a mattere of fact, the Secretary said, in conclusion, the United States and Canada had already established rates below the union rates, as have Austria and Germany, and the union has not interfered.

INDIA PLAGUE DECREASING.

Grand Total of the Deaths in the Bombay Presidency.

BOMBAY, April 8.—There has been a marked decrease in plague cases. Last week's total was 380 deaths from the plague and 323 cases of that disease, against 538 deaths and 501 cases during the previous week.

The grand totals of the plague in this city are 10,943 deaths and 9,299 cases, and throughout Bombay Presidency, up to April 2, there have been 22,508 deaths from the plague and 18,361 cases of that disease which were not fatal.

THE LAW OF EVIDENCE BILL.

Passed the Second Reading in the House of Commons.

LONDON, April 8.—In the House of Commons to-day Sir Richard Webster, the Attorney General, moved the second reading of the Law of Evidence bill, enabling prisoners in criminal cases to testify in their own behalf. He said that the United States, Canada, and Australia had a similar law in operation, and that it had been found to work well in all those countries.

He regretted that for the present the Government was obliged to exclude Ireland from the benefits of the act, owing to the desire that the measure should be as little contentious as possible. But, he hoped, and the Government hoped, that the law would be eventually extended to Ireland.

The bill passed its second reading by a vote of 210 to 41.

TO TRY PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

A Proposition to Create a National Jury in France.

PARIS, April 8.—In the Chamber of Deputies to-day, M. Marcal Sembat, Socialist, representing one of the Paris districts, and political editor of the Petite République Française, moved the creation of a national jury to try public officials, Deputies, Senators, or Ministers accused of corruption, and to investigate the origin of the large fortunes enjoyed by a number of the public officials referred to.

M. Darlan, the Minister of Justice, opposed the motion on the ground that such a step would be a slander against the national probity of France.

Eventually the previous question was voted by 855 yeas to 127 nays.

DIVORCED FROM KATE VAUGHAN

Col. Wellesley Gets a Separation from the Actress.

LONDON, April 8.—Col. Frederick Arthur Wellesley, formerly of the Coldstream Guards, obtained a decree of divorce to-day in the Divorce Division of the High Court of Justice, with costs, against his wife, Kate Vaughan, the well-known actress, on the ground of her intimacy with an actor named Lorimer. The latter played in the United States, under the name of Lethcourt, in "The Henrietta."

Col. Wellesley is a son of the first Earl Cowley, deceased, was at one time British Military Attaché at St. Petersburg, and was formerly Military Secretary to the Commander in Chief in India. He had previously been divorced from his first wife, who was a daughter of Lord Augustus William Spencer Loftus.

CAPT. MAHAN'S NEW BOOK.

"Lord Nelson and the English Navy" Received with Praise.

LONDON, April 9.—All the morning newspapers to-day contain long reviews of Capt. Mahan's new book about Lord Nelson and the English navy of his time. The work is a volume of about 900 pages profusely illustrated with plans of battles, maps, and photogravure plates. It is a history of English sea power under Nelson rather than a mere life of that hero. The reviews are uniformly eulogistic.

The Times says "Capt. Mahan's work will become one of the greatest naval classics."

The Uruguay Revolution.

MONTEVIDEO, April 8.—The revolutionary party now practically possess the whole of Eastern Uruguay. They collect the customs on the Brazilian frontier. An increased force of Plancos is within a short distance of this city.

An English Jockey Killed.

LONDON, April 8.—Hodson, the jockey, was thrown and killed in a steeplechase at Stoke-upon-Trent, Staffordshire, to-day.

Foreign Notes of Interest.

VIENNA, April 8.—Dr. Lueger, the anti-Semite leader, has again been elected Burgomastor, this time by three-fourths majority.

MADRID, April 8.—An official denial has been issued of the report that a revolt against the Spanish Government has broken out in the Island of Puerto Rico.

LONDON, April 8.—Replying in the House of Commons to-day to a question relative to the arrest and deportation from Honolulu, the capital of the Republic of Hawaii, of a man named W. J. Cranstoun, the Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office, Mr. George N. Curzon, said the Government proposed to address the Hawaiian Government on the subject as soon as it is definitely ascertained that Cranstoun is a British subject.

Manhattan Club Meeting.

The Board of Managers of the Manhattan Club, elected March 18, met last night at the clubhouse and organized. Frederic R. Coudert was elected President; C. C. Baldwin, Vice President; Arthur Ingraham, Treasurer; D. B. Gilbert, Secretary. S. J. O'Sullivan, Dr. J. H. Parker, and Arthur Ingraham were named as House Committee. It was announced that 140 applications for membership had been made since the resolution was adopted to remit the initiation fee, and thirty new members have been elected.

Uniforms for Fire-Wire Inspectors.

So many complaints have reached the Fire Commissioners of sneak thieves having obtained admission to houses on the claim that they were inspectors of fire wires that they yesterday decided to put all their inspectors in uniform. Superintendent Smith of the Telegraph Bureau was instructed to design a uniform and submit it to the board for approval.

FUNDS NO LONGER A BAR.

Possibility of Having Opera Next Season Will Depend on Ability to Secure Good Singers.

The question of having grand opera in this city next season no longer depends upon funds. If the corporation of Abbey, Schoeffel & Grau, Limited, can secure the necessary artists, the much mooted financial difficulty will not stand in the way. Edward Lauterbach, one of the Directors, made that statement authoritatively last night.

"If we can make arrangements with the leading operatic stars," said he, "there will be no trouble about forming a company. But it is incorrect to say that grand opera is assured for next year. If Mme. Melba's services are secured by Mr. Damrosch, that may stand seriously in the way. If, however, contracts can be made with such artists as will assure that next season's opera will be as successful as the last one was, the matter will be settled. Mr. Grau and myself will confer with Mr. Whitney and Mr. Haven on Tuesday, in regard to the matter, and Mr. De Reszke, who will be in town to fulfill his engagement, will probably join in the discussion. More definite results may be expected then."

In conversation with a reporter for THE NEW YORK TIMES, Robert Dunlap, President of the corporation, said that he did not believe grand opera could be sustained here unless supported by a fund of at least $100,000.

Mr. Damrosch Sails for Europe.

Walter Damrosch sailed yesterday on the Hamburg-American Line steamship Fuerst Bismarck, for Hamburg, a number of friends gathering at the pier in Hoboken to bid him good-bye. Mr. Damrosch said that he was going abroad for pleasure, and he declined to discuss any business plans with which his trip might be connected.

THEATRICAL GOSSIP.

Paul Steindorff, the musical director, has been engaged by Augustin Daly to direct the performances at Daly's Theatre of "The Circus Girl."

"Dr. Belgraff," Charles Klien's new piece, will be presented at the Garden Theatre April 19. Wilton Lackaye and Marie Wainwright will act the leading roles.

Owing to illness Miss Cheridah Simpson was unable to appear in "The Girl From Paris" at the Herald Square Theatre last night. Miss Simpson's rôle was acted by Miss Adele Archer.

Sousa's Band appeared last night in Allentown, Penn., under the sole management of John Philip Sousa. This action takes the band out of the control of the Blakeley estate, which claims an interest in this season's receipts and royalties.

The production of the new comic opera "1900," at the Fifth Avenue Theatre has been indefinitely postponed. It will probably be presented early next season. Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske and "Tess of the d'Urbervilles" will continue at that house until the hot weather begins.

The St. Nicholas Skating Rink, at Sixty-sixth Street and Columbus Avenue, is to be converted into a Summer garden and variety house. The lease has been secured by James Lederer, the brother of George W. Lederer, one of the managers of the Casino. Suitable alterations will be made at once.

Violet Van Brugh, the wife of Arthur Bourchier, whose illness was responsible for the English comedian's sudden abandonment of his recent American tour, is back in London from the Cap d'Antibes, thoroughly restored to health. Mr. and Mrs. Bourchier will open at the Strand Theatre April 17.

Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske has consented to appear soon at a matinée at the Fifth Avenue Theatre for a worthy charity as Cyprienne, in Sardou's "Divorçons," a part in which she never has been seen in New York. It is a part, too, in which she ought to shine conspicuously. Its piquant humor will not escape her.

The students of the Empire Theatre Dramatic School gave the fourth of the annual series of exhibition matinées at the Empire Theatre yesterday. The following pieces were acted in a creditable manner by the students: "Dick o' the Plains," by Lottie Blair Parker; "Heroes and Heroes," by Dolores Marbourg; "Sir Peter's Paradise," by A. E. Lancaster, and "By Hook or by Crook," a farce, by Alice Yates Grant.

It is announced that the Bostonians will present "The Serenade" in London next season. They have already sold the French rights to Pol Plançon, who, it is said, will produce the operetta in France, Miss Alice Neilson, the young prima donna who has made a decided hit in the piece, will study under the direction of Marchesi in Paris this Summer. Miss Neilson alternates with Miss Hilda Clark in the rôle of Yoonne.

Arrangements are being rapidly completed for the benefit performance of grand opera, which is to be given for Katherine Abbey, the fourteen-year-old child of the late Henry E. Abbey, at the Metropolitan Opera House April 20. It is expected that at least $10,000 will be raised for the little girl, and this sum will be placed in charge of a trustee to be kept for her, and the interest used for her support and schooling until she comes of age.

There was no matinée performance at the Bijou Theatre Wednesday of "Courted Into Court." Miss Irwin is of the opinion that seven performances a week are sufficient to satisfy theatregoers, so during the remainder of her engagement she will give only a Saturday matinée performance each week. She will sail for Europe in June and spend several weeks at Carlsbad.

The new review "Mr. New York, Esq.," will be produced at Weber & Fields's Music Hall in a few weeks, with a number of prominent variety performers in the cast. Henry E. Dixey and Ada Deaves will play leading parts, and "Joe" Weber, "Lew" Fields, and "Sam" Bernard will also appear prominently. Joseph Herbert, the author, announces that the story of the piece is threaded on a series of burlesques on all of the theatrical successes of the season.

John M. Morton has obtained from Judge Freedman in the Supreme Court a judgment against John A. Stevens for $435.95. Mr. Morton alleged that he rewrote the play "Jack Royle" for Henry Lacy, with the understanding that he was to receive half the amount to be paid for the work, while Stevens was to take the credit and the other half. Stevens paid $175 to Morton and told him that was all he would receive. Mr. Lacy paid $1,000 to Stevens, and the suit was brought to recover $525, the balance due and interest.

Oscar Hammerstein has discovered a new variety performer named Charles R. Sweet, who appears nightly at Olympia in a novel act. He makes his appearance as an unkempt tramp, and after some minutes of indulgence in the usual variety stage witticisms, he seats himself at a piano and demonstrates that he is in fact an accomplished musician. By an ingenious contrivance in the use of pedals, the performer is enabled to perfectly imitate on the piano such different instruments as a banjo, mandolin, harp, zither, church organ, and chimes. The large audiences appreciate the novelty.

The Grand Opera Company will arrive in New York from Boston Sunday, and the following day begin the series of grand opera performances in the Metropolitan Opera House, which will bring the season to a close. Monday night "Faust" will be given with what is now considered an ideal cast. Wednesday "Siegfried" will be performed, and Thursday night Mme. Calvé will appear in a farewell performance of "Carmen." For the Saturday matinée no selection has yet been made, but it will be an opera which will embrace the names of Jean and Ed de Reszke, Lassalle, and Mme. Calvé, and, as it will be the last appearance in America of these artists, special interest is directed to the event. "Romeo et Juliette," always a favorite either as a drama or opera, will be given for the only popular Saturday night performance. An exceptionally good musical programme will be arranged for the last of these grand Sunday night concerts on the 18th, with the principal artists of the Grand Opera Company and the Metropolitan Orchestra, under the direction of Anton Seidl.

Doctor Wrongfully Accused.

Agent Loring and his assistants, Dora Konig of 237 East Eighty-seventh Street, and Elsie Meyer of 210 Avenue A, of the Medical Society of the County of New York made a mistake yesterday when they caused the arrest of Dr. Kingsley Walton Martin of 354 West Fifty-eighth Street, whom they accused of not being registered as a practicing physician. Dr. Martin submitted his diploma and registration certificate in the Yorkville Court when he was arraigned, and it was shown that one of the women had made a mistake in the name when she reported the case to the society for investigation. Agent Loring apologied, and Dr. Martin was discharged.

Fire Captain Cook Retired.

Martin Cook, Captain of Engine Company No. 4, stationed at Old Slip, was yesterday retired from active service by the Fire Commissioners. He has served more than twenty years in the department.

A DINNER TO MR. CLEVELAND.

Given by the President of the Princeton Trustees.

TRENTON, N. J., April 8.—Ex-President and Mrs. Cleveland were the guests of honor at a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Green, at their home here to-night.

Mr. Green is President of the Board of Trustees of Princeton University, and the dinner was for the purpose of introducing the Clevelands to members of the judiciary and bar of the State. Those present were Gov. and Mrs. Griggs, Chancellor and Mrs. McGill, Chief Justice Magie, United States Judge and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. George Gray of Delaware, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Stewart of New York, Judge and Mrs. William L. Dayton, Gen. and Mrs. W. S. Stryker, and Gen. and Mrs. Richard A. Stockton.

YOUNG ARTISANS GRADUATED.

Commencement Exercises at the New York Trade School.

The New York Trade School held its sixteenth annual commencement exercises in the school building, First Avenue and Sixty-seventh Street, last evening. On the platform were seated President R. Fulton Cutting, William E. Dodge, Archibald K. Mackay, F. Augustus Schermerhorn, J. Roosevelt Roosevelt, J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., John Beattie, Theodore Roosevelt, and representatives of various trade associations.

Diplomas, 189 in number, and 127 certificates were delivered to classes in house and sign painting, carpentry, bricklaying, cornice work, printing, blacksmithing, plastering, and plumbing.

President Cutting presided, and introduced John Beattie, ex-President of the National Association of Master Painters, who mentioned, as the three things the students would find necessary, education, courtesy, and gratitude.

Theodore Roosevelt, who said he was going to Washington after he had finished speaking, made an address in which he said: "Two lessons you must learn. The first is, self-help; the second is, to act in combination with others to raise the standard of labor and citizenship." When he had finished, some one in the rear of the hall cried: "Three cheers for the Assistant Secretary of the Navy!" and they were given.

Aid for the Babies' Wards.

The reception given by the Ladies' Auxiliary Committee in the Babies' Wards of the Post Graduate Hospital, at 303 East Twentieth Street, yesterday afternoon was a great success, and was largely attended by prominent society people. Speeches were made by the Rev. William M. Grosvenor and Hamilton Mable, and a musical programme was rendered by Mrs. Frederic Edey, Miss Kemp, and Victor Beigel. Those who received were Mrs. James A. Burden, Mrs. Robert Clarkson, Mrs. Valentine G. Hall, Mrs. Archibald Mackay, Mrs. Walter G. Oakman, Mrs. Charles Pellew, Mrs. H. Casimir De Rham, Mrs. Nathaniel Thayer Robb, Mrs. J. Tuckerman Tower, Mrs. James A. Trowbridge, and Mrs. Eben Wright. A few of the guests were Mrs. William D. Barbour, Mrs. Duncan Elliott, Mrs. D. O. Fowler, Mrs. Albert R. Ledoux, Mrs. Horace J. Hayden, Mrs. A. L. Phillips, Mrs. Sidney D. Ripley, and Mrs. Henry Siekman. The committee is in need of funds for the Summer to cover expenses for trips of the children into the country, for general fresh air work, and for plants for the Summer roof garden.

Knickerbocker Ladies' Day.

Yesterday was "ladies' day" at the Knickerbocker Athletic Club, and a constant stream of guests flowed in and out the clubhouse, at Madison Avenue and Forty-fifth Street. In the afternoon the theatre hall was the assembling place for a large number, who witnessed a bright vaudeville. In the evening was held an inter-club competition between the Knickerbockers and the New Jersey Athletic Club, consisting of games of pool, billiards, and bowling. A swimming competition was also held. Among the large Committee of Reception were Gardner Abbott, W. D. Bliss, and C. S. McKune.

For Mrs. Lathrop's Charity.

A musicale, the proceeds of which will be given to Mrs. Rose Hawthorne Lathrop's Cancer Hospital for Incurables, was given last evening in Chickering Hall. The bad weather affected the size of the audience, but in spite of this a good sum was realized for the charity. The entertainment was in charge of Miss Carlisle, and among those under whose patronage it was given were Archbishop Corrigan, Mrs. Augustus St. Gaudens, Mrs. Richard Watson Gilder, Mrs. William D. Howells, Mrs. Josephine Carpenter, Mrs. Henry S. Nelson, and Mrs. Henry Harper.

The Baptist Fresh-Air Home.

The semi-annual meeting of the Baptist Young People's Union of this city was held last night in the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church, Forty-sixth Street, near Fifth Avenue, Charles J. Townsend presiding. The chief purpose of the meeting was to arouse enthusiasm among the members of the union in the way of securing help to finish the new fresh-air home now in course of construction at Somers, Westchester County, N. Y. For this work alone President Townsend said that a fund of $5,800 was needed.

Dinner to Battalion Chief Kruger.

Fire Chief Charles W. Kruger, who was recently appointed to the command of the First Battalion, was the guest of a number of his friends last night at a dinner given in honor of his promotion, at Lyons's restaurant, 259 and 261 Bowery. After the dinner a handsome gold locket, oblong in shape and set with diamonds, was presented to Chief Kruger by George Stodart on behalf of the Chief's friends.

SOCIETY NOTES.

Samuel W. Taylor, editor of Rider and Driver, is to be married Saturday, April 24, to Mary Alice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Smith. The ceremony will be at the Church of the Transfiguration at 12 noon.

The "Festival of Holidays," which has been given by a number of the west side churches in the Leslie Rooms, Boulevard and Eighty-third Street, in aid of the Riverside Day Nursery, closed last night. A substantial sum was realized for the nursery.

The members of the "Drawing Room" held their annual meeting at the Waldorf last evening and elected the following officers: President—Mrs. Neftel; Vice President—Mrs. Daniel Butterfield; Secretary—William R. Willcox; Treasurer—R. H. Shinwald.

The Spring meeting of the Elmira College Association will be held at the Fifth Avenue Hotel to-morrow afternoon. After the luncheon the Rev. Dr. Alexander C. Mackenzie, who has accepted the Presidency of the college, will address the association. In addition, an interesting programme has been prepared.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Lillian Elizabeth Napier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Napier, to Mr. Charles Erwin Renshaw, April 21, at Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, East Orange, N. J. There will be an at home on that evening in the Napier residence, 14 Summit Street, East Orange, from 8:30 to 10:30 o'clock, and from 4 to 10 o'clock on May 20 and 27.

A song recital by Leonard E. Auty attracted a large audience at the Waldorf last evening. Mr. Auty was assisted by Miss Katherine Ruth Heyman and Victor Harris. Old English songs, like the seventeenth century ballad, "My Lodging is on the Cold Ground," were varied with Scottish songs, "Wae's Me for Prince Charlie," and others, German songs by Schubert, Bohm, Brahms, and other composers, and made up, with Miss Heyman's solos on the piano, the programme.

"The Dramatic in Literature and Music" was illustrated by a Lenten recital in the studio of J. Charles Arter, 10 East Twenty-third Street, before a fashionable audience yesterday afternoon, by Edwin Star Belknap. He was assisted by Miss Grace Gregory, Mme. Olga Burgtorf, Edgar Stillman Kelley, and Harvey Worthington Loomis. Among those in attendance were Mrs. J. Egmont Schermerhorn, Mrs. K. A. Wheeler, Miss Kate Louise Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. W. McMullen, and Mrs. John Roosevelt.

Mrs. John Sherwood gave a well-attended reading at the Windsor Hotel in aid of the Kind Word Society yesterday afternoon. Her subject was "Winged Shuttles That Fly," and the paper was illustrative of a fine display of old and rare specimens of the lace of various nations, contributed by prominent society people. Especially notable was a collection of Italian lace made in the schools of Queen Margherite and loaned by the Countess di Brazza. Mrs. Sherwood was assisted by Fräulein Adele Lewing with music.

TESLA KEEPS HIS SECRETS.

Refrains from Gratifying the Curiosity of Electricians About His Experiments.

It is only once in two or three years that Nicola Tesla, the electrician, can be persuaded to give a lecture. He contributes occasionally to electrical publications, but he carefully refrains in these communications from letting his fellow-electricians know what he is driving at in his experiments.

When it was announced that he was to deliver a demonstrative lecture recently before the Academy of Science, in this city, the large lecture hall in the American Museum of Natural History was crowded until there was not standing room. Tesla is not an agreeable lecturer. Despite his long residence in this country, he speaks decidedly broken English, and as he persists in using technical words, many of them coined by himself, it is very difficult to follow him.

Two hundred or more electricians who went to hear him speak before the academy in hope that he would reveal something of the nature of his investigations were disappointed. They failed to discover what he is "driving at." Tesla made apparently free use of his wonderful high-power instruments for producing rapid vibration, but beyond suggesting their value in scientific experiments, and remarking that their practical value would be made apparent to everybody before long, he kept his own counsel. His closing sentence was an epigram: "What Nature does not choose to reveal to us, it is no use trying to force from her by bolts and screws."

ROBERT CUNNINGHAM DEAD.

The Man Who Had the Reputation of Precipitating the Panic of Black Friday.

Robert Cunningham of 453 Lenox Avenue, who died in Harlem Hospital yesterday from apoplexy, had the reputation of being the man who precipitated the "Black Friday" panic in 1869.

On Wednesday afternoon Mr. Cunningham, who conducted a financial news bureau in Wall Street, was taken suddenly ill at Pine Street and Broadway, and hailing a cab, told the driver to take him to One Hundred and Thirty-second Street and Lenox Avenue. At One Hundred and Thirty-second Street the driver stopped to obtain the number of the house, and found his fare unconscious. He at once drove to the East One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street Police Station, and from there to the Harlem Hospital, where Mr. Cunningham died at 4:30 o'clock yesterday morning. He was identified by his sister, Mrs. J. C. Hardenbrook, with whom he lived. He was born fifty-nine years ago near Syracuse, N. Y., and brought up in Elmira. He came to this city just before the war, and, being an expert telegrapher, obtained a position in the War Department. In 1867 he became manager of the Franklin Telegraph Company, the main office of which was then in Broad Street, opposite the Stock Exchange. It is said that he became acquainted with all the big brokers, and that owing to his relations with some of these men he lost his position with the Franklin Company.

On "Black Friday," Sept. 24, 1869, Cunningham was outside the counter in the Franklin Company's office, writing a message, when he heard a dispatch passing over the wires from the Secretary of the Treasury at Washington to the Sub-Treasurer in New York, stating that $4,000,000 in gold would be sold on Government account. Cunningham rushed to Fisk & Gould's office and informed them of the dispatch before the Sub-Treasurer received it. The price of gold on the Exchange dropped immediately from 160 to 135. The scene on 'Change that day has no parallel in history and financial wrecks were so numerous that they hardly attracted attention.

Before the opening of the board that day, the room was packed with spectators and members, and New Street was completely blocked by a crowd that extended to Wall and Broad Streets. At the opening of the board the bulls bid 150, which was 6 per cent. above the highest quotation of the previous day. Within half an hour 155 was the price, and soon after bids were made at 160, while for a few seconds 164 was quoted as the price. This was the culminating point of the day, and just before noon Mr. Speyer, acting for Fisk & Gould, was offering 160 for gold, while the bear brokers in another part of the room were selling at 135. During this time it was reported that the Government had sent orders for the sale of Treasury gold. The order was only for $4,000,000, but rumor placed it at $15,000,000, and this burst the bubble that wrecked so many firms.

JOHN WILKIN DEAD.

Was in Business in Grand Street for Thirty-five Years.

John Wilkin of 254 Grand Street, died on Tuesday afternoon, and will be buried this afternoon. Members of Morton Commandery No. 4 of the Knights Templars, of which he was a member, will attend. Young man and old man, he ran the grocery store at the Chrystie Street corner since the early sixties, part of the time as manager and part as owner.

He was fond of relating the story of his life. He laughed as he told how, a mere boy, he came to this country from England with his father and mother, and went to live in Canada. He staid with them until he was sixteen years old, then with 50 cents in his pocket he started for Albany, where a brother, a soldier in the regular army, was stationed. Arriving there he found his brother's regiment had been transferred to a distant fort, and to crown it all, some one stole his 50 cents. Nothing daunted, he worked his way down the river until he reached this city. After doing odd jobs, he finally obtained employment with Albro Brothers, who had a number of grocery stores in this city. Soon he was put in charge of the Grand Street store. The years sped rapidly, and he soon became the owner of the store.

Mr. Wilkin was nearly sixty-eight years old, and was independent in politics. He was a Director in the National Butchers and Drovers' Bank and other institutions. He leaves a wife, but no children.

DEATH LIST OF A DAY.

Horace G. Bird.

Horace G. Bird is dead in Hyde Park, Chicago. Mr. Bird was practically the founder of musical organizations in Chicago. He went there forty years ago and proceeded to organize the Musical Union. It was through Mr. Bird's efforts that Patti was induced to go to Chicago for the first time. She appeared in concert, and the Musical Union, under the leadership of Mr. Bird, supplied the extra numbers. Mary McVicker, daughter of J. H. McVicker, and wife of Edwin Booth, was a member of the musical society at that time. Mr. Bird sang the solo part in the song which dedicated Bunker Hill Monument. He also led the music in the Wigwam in Chicago when President Lincoln was nominated for the Presidency. As an organist Mr. Bird was appreciated highly by such masters of the instrument as Buck, Eddy, Archer, and others. The score arrangements for the choir for "Nearer, My God, to Thee," "Then What Must It Be to Be There?" "Prince of Peace," and numerous other hymns and songs were made by Mr. Bird. Mr. Bird was born in Watertown, Mass., in 1837.

Stephen H. Phillips.

Stephen H. Phillips died yesterday in Salem, Mass. He was born in Salem seventy-four years ago, his father being Stephen Clarendon Phillips, one of the early Mayors of the place; and Willard P. Phillips of Andover is one of his brothers. Mr. Phillips attended a school which Salmon P. Chase founded in Washington, D. C. Charles Levi Woodbury, Gen. Alfred Pleasanton, and the Confederate General Lovell, were fellow-pupils. He was graduated from Harvard in 1842. In the Dane Law School, Rutherford B. Hayes, Chief Justice Peters of Maine, Chief Justice Morton of Massachusetts, and Chief Justice Lee of the Sandwich Islands, were among his associates. Mr. Phillips was elected Attorney General of Massachusetts in 1857. He was sent to Hawaii as Consul. Kamehameha V. made him Attorney General of the Hawaiian Government and one of his four Cabinet Ministers. He was in Honolulu seven years until 1873. Mr. Phillips was a delegate to the Republican National Conventions of 1856 and 1860.

Samuel Bissinger.

Samuel Bissinger died at the residence of his son-in-law, Morris Fellerman, 1,276 Bergen Street, Brooklyn, at 9:50 o'clock last night. He was seventy-three years old. He had a paralytic stroke some two months ago, and had been confined to his bed since. His death was peaceful. He was a native of Bavaria, Germany, and for many years was engaged in mercantile business in Knoxville and Chattanooga, Tenn., and was well known throughout the South. His wife, a fast-failing invalid, survives him, also three children, Mrs. Morris Fellerman of Brooklyn, Mrs. Sol Hyman of Knoxville, Tenn., and Mr. Ben Bissinger of Chattanooga, Tenn. Funeral services will be held to-day at 6 P. M. sharp, at 1,276 Bergen Street, Brooklyn. The body will be sent to-night to Chattanooga, Tenn., where the interment will be made Sunday morning.

William Dykes.

William Dykes, Assistant County Treasurer of Queens County from Jan. 1, 1891, to Jan. 1, 1897, and brother of former County Treasurer Joseph Dykes, died suddenly at his home in Jamaica Wednesday evening of apoplexy. He had just finished his supper, and as he was lighting a cigar fell over in his chair and expired. He had been out on his bicycle during the day.

He was a prominent member of the Board of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and took an active interest in church work. He was a well-known member of the Order of Odd Fellows, and was for some years a District Deputy Grand Master of the district. At one time he was a member of the Board of Education and was a founder of the Jamaica Building Loan Association. He was contemplating a trip to Europe this Spring for the benefit of his health. He was fifty-two years old.

George Bothner.

George Bothner, for many years engaged in the manufacture of piano actions at 135 Chrystie Street, died on Tuesday at his home, 304 East Fifty-eighth Street, from cancer of the stomach. Mr. Bothner was born at Freudenstadt, in the Province of Würtemberg, Germany, in 1836, and came to this country about forty years ago. In 1866 he started in business for himself at 144 Elizabeth Street, and was located there until about fifteen years ago. He leaves a wife, five daughters, and four sons. Mr. Bothner had been a member of the German Union Lodge, No. 54, F. and A. M., for thirty-five years. He was also a member of the Beethoven Maennerchor and Company B, Fifth Regiment Veteran Association. The funeral will take place at his late residence at 10 o'clock this morning and the interment will be at Lutheran Cemetery.

Samuel Churchill.

Samuel Churchill, who died on Wednesday in his eighty-seventh year, was at one time well known in New York as a manufacturer of woolens. He was born in Stockbridge, Mass. When a young man he entered into the woolen business in Utica, N. Y., and eventually rose to the ownership of several mills. Later he established a woolen house here, of which he was the head for fourteen years. Fourteen years ago he retired from business, and since that time has lived quietly at his home, 125 East Fifteenth Street, interesting himself in studies and in church work.

His wife was a Miss Taylor, the daughter of a clergyman in Utica. Of two sons, Eben and Charles, only the latter survives, and he is connected with the lithographing firm of Donaldson Brothers.

Obituary Notes.

HARRY A. DOBBINS, a lawyer, twenty-five years of age, died at his home in Morristown, N. J., yesterday.

FRANK H. BREDE, aged sixty-four, one of the wealthiest and best known citizens of Dubuque, died yesterday.

JOHN THOMAS WALSH, one of the prominent citizens of Carthage, N. Y., died yesterday after a long illness.

Mrs. AUGUSTA CARRAGAN, aged fifty-five years, widow of Hanson Carragan of Bayonne, N. J., died in the Saratoga Hospital in Saratoga, N. Y., yesterday. She fractured her hip last September, and had been in the hospital ever since.

COL. W. AUGUSTUS RAY, at one time Vice President of and for twenty-two years a prominent operator on the Chicago Board of Trade, died yesterday of chronic kidney trouble. Col. Ray organized Company F, Fourth Wisconsin Infantry, and was made Colonel of the regiment. He held Memphis against the Confederate Gen. Forrest when the latter made his famous raid.

WILLIAM WILSHIRE RILEY, aged eighty-one, died at his home in Cromwell, Conn., yesterday. He was the inventor of the rubber plate for false teeth, a single-track elevated railroad, life boat with a balloon attachment, a tongueless buckle, and other things. His father, Capt. Thomas Riley, was captured by pirates off the west coast of Africa, and was the author of "Riley's Narratives." He leaves a wife.

ALEXANDER BARNIE, Sr., died Wednesday at his residence, 481 Marcy Avenue, Brooklyn, at the age of eighty-seven years. He was well known among the old-time builders of Brooklyn. His son, William Barnie, is manager of the Brooklyn Baseball Club. Mr. Barnie built the old Washington Building opposite the City Hall, now considered one of the landmarks of the city. Funeral services will be held at the house this afternoon.

BUSINESS NOTICES.

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The new collar. "MENLO."

MARRIED.

HAMMOND—ANTHONY.—By the Rev. Charles W. Fritts, D. D., Benjamin Hammond of Fishkill Landing to Miss Laura Anthony of New York City, daughter of the late Richard Kip Anthony and Ann Bowie Dash, at Fishkill-on-Hudson, N. Y., April 6, 1897.

DIED.

BABCOCK.—On Thursday, April 8, at Montclair, N. J., Mary Webster Babcock, only child of Paul and Mary W. Babcock.
Services at her home, 115 Llewellyn Road, on Saturday, April 10, at 3:15 P. M. Carriages will meet the train leaving New York at 2:10, Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad.

BEST.—On April 7, 1897, at his residence, 55 East 67th St., New York City, Col. Clermont L. Best, U. S. Army, retired, in his 73d year.
Funeral services will be held at his late residence at 9 o'clock A. M., Saturday, April 10. Interment at Hudson, N. Y.

BISSINGER.—At 9:50 P. M., April 8, at the residence of his son-in-law, M. Fellerman, 1,276 Bergen St., Brooklyn, S. Bissinger, aged 73.
Funeral services 6 P. M. sharp, Friday, at residence. Interment Chattanooga, Tenn., Sunday, April 11.

LAMSON.—On Tuesday, April 6, John L. Lamson, son of the late Charles and Elizabeth Lamson.
Funeral services will be held at the Church of the Incarnation, Madison Av. and 35th St., Friday, April 9, at 10:30 A. M.

TOMPKINS.—On Thursday morning, April 8, at 1 o'clock, John B. Tompkins, aged 76 years, 6 months, and 10 days.
Funeral at his late residence, Monday, April 12, at 12 o'clock. Carriages will meet train at 10:21 at Yorktown.

Resolution passed April 7th, 1897, at the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the New York Security and Trust Company: "Resolved, That we learn with great regret of the death of John L. Lamson, until recently a Vice President of our company. His ability and sagacity of the greatest value to it during the early years of its existence. He was honorable in all things and faithful to every trust. By his death the community loses a man who gave every promise of high usefulness. ABRAM M. HYATT, Secretary.

WOODLAWN CEMETERY.

Woodlawn Station, (24th Ward,) Harlem Railroad. Office, No. 20 East 23d St.

DEATHS REPORTED YESTERDAY

New York City.

Ages of one year or under are put down one year.

Name.	Address.	Age in Y'rs.	Date Dth. Apr.
ALISE, Concetta	411 E. 12th St.	23	7
ADOLPH, Valentine	65 Park Av.	65	7
BAUMOHL, Jetty	82 Ridge St.	60	7
BREEN, James R.	152 E. 60th St.	67	6
BOTHNER, George	304 E. 58th St.	70	6
BUSCHMAN, Henry	909 St. Ann's Av.	49	7
BIBBEN, Richard	450 7th Av.	42	7
BRANDI, Giuseppe	153 E. 121st St.	61	7
BROWN, Melissa D.	920 9th Av.	56	8
CORN, Joseph	2,543 2d Av.	3	6
COUGHLAN, Terence	458 W. 19th St.	39	6
CONDREN, Ann	110 E. 41st St.	53	7
CARROLL, Wilbur F.	983 Columbus	35	7
CHURCHILL, Samuel	4th Av. and 10th St.	86	7
COSTELLO, Edward	51 Rutgers St.	62	6
DOUGHERTY, Mary	Hudson St. Hosp.	56	5
DAVIS, Gussie	45 Henry St.	31	8
DUGAN, Daniel	278 Broome St.	45	6
DUFFY, Margaret	427 E. 88th St.	69	6
DAGNELL, John	220 E. 126d St.	45	6
DUFFY, Patrick	335 W. 60th St.	38	7
ENDEMANN, Elsa	166 E. 8th St.	1	7
FISHER, William G.	Gilsey House	52	7
FLACK, Mary M.	437 W. 36th St.	71	7
FLYNN, James	103 Washington St.	2	7
GREER, Mary	850 10th Av.	53	6
GRAY, Mary	70 Washington St.	44	7
HUGHES, Peter J.	211 E. 19th St.	18	6
HARRIS, Anna S.	Syracuse, N. Y.	37	7
HILL, Philippina	144 Washington St.	31	7
HARDY, Winnie	St. Joseph's Hosp.	23	7
HARRIGAN, Charles	317 E. 39th St.	60	8
KOERDING, Andrew	45 Columbia St.	33	7
KIEHL, Frank	358 E. 85th St.	34	7
LOMAX, Elizabeth	236 E. 97th St.	67	7
LYNCH, Dennis F.	443 W. 50th St.	21	6
McCARTHY, Mary	167 Mulberry St.	46	7
McNELL, Thomas	333 Broome St.	38	7
McCOY, Peter J.	144 Beach St.	32	7
MANGINO, Francesco	Tompkinsville	61

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CAPITAL, $1,000,000. SURPLUS, $2,000,000.
9 and 11 Nassau St.

The Nassau Bank
Corner Beekman and Nassau Streets.

Central National Bank
291 Broadway.

Continental Trust Company
30 Broad St.

ATLANTIC TRUST COMPANY,
39 WILLIAM STREET.
L. V. F. RANDOLPH, Pres. J. S. SUYDAM, Secy.

NEW YORK SECURITY & TRUST CO.,
44 and 46 Wall Street.
CAPITAL, $1,000,000. SURPLUS, $1,250,000.

The State Trust Company
100 Broadway.

Washington Trust Company
Stewart Building, 280 Broadway.

Fourth Street National Bank
PHILADELPHIA.
Capital $1,500,000. Surplus $1,130,000.

BANKERS' CARDS.

GEO. H. PRENTISS & CO.,
DEALERS IN
LOCAL SECURITIES.
87 William St., New York City. 208 Montague St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
Members New York Stock Exchange.

FAHNESTOCK & CO.,
Brokers and Dealers in
Investment Securities,
2 Wall Street, N. Y.
WILLIAM FAHNESTOCK. R. B. DODSON.
(Member of New York Stock Exchange.)

Simon Borg & Co.,
BANKERS,
No. 20 Nassau St., New York.

INVESTMENT SECURITIES.
HAVEN & STOUT
BANKERS & BROKERS,
2 Exchange Court, New York.
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Margin Accounts. Investment Securities.

FINANCIAL.

Union Pacific, Lincoln & Colorado Railway Company.
FIRST MORTGAGE 5% BONDS.

At the request of holders of a large number of the bonds above named, the undersigned have consented to act as a Committee for the protection of their interests.

A protective agreement has been prepared for the First Mortgage Bonds of the above-mentioned company, copies of which may be obtained at the office of the Old Colony Trust Company in Boston or the Guaranty Trust Company of New York in New York, which will issue their negotiable receipts therefor.

As it is important that prompt action should be taken, the time for receiving deposits of these bonds has been limited to and including June 1st, 1897, after which date the Committee may decline to receive further deposits except upon such terms as they shall decide to impose.

CHARLES E. COTTING, Chairman.
CHARLES S. TUCKERMAN,
JAMES JACKSON,
WILLIAM E. GLYN, Committee.
CHARLES H. TYLER, Counsel to Committee.
Boston and New York, April 8, 1897.

To the Holders of
FIRST MORTGAGE FIVE PER CENT. BONDS AND OF THE CAPITAL STOCK
OF THE
Metropolitan West-Side Elevated Railroad Company (of Chicago.)

Referring to the Committee's advertisement dated January 30, 1897, holders of Bonds and Stock are requested to deposit their holdings with THE CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK, 54 Wall Street, the AMERICAN LOAN AND TRUST COMPANY, 53 State Street, Boston, or the ILLINOIS TRUST AND SAVINGS BANK, Chicago, Ills., under an agreement dated January 30, 1897.

Dated New York, March 24, 1897.

FREDERIC P. OLCOTT, Chairman,
WALTER G. OAKMAN,
SAMUEL THORNE, Committee.
ADRIAN H. JOLINE, Counsel.
J. N. WALLACE, Secretary,
54 Wall Street.

CHICAGO AND WESTERN INDIANA RAILROAD COMPANY.
FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.
Trustees' Office, Room 83, Drexel Building, New York, Feb. 18, 1897.

The Trustees have this day designated, by lot, the following:

35,	1444,	1670,	2130,	2355,	2709, 2924,
51,	1458,	1726,	2169,	2398,	2710, 2928,
253,	1523,	1751,	2179,	2427,	2715, 2929,
268,	1561,	1766,	2191,	2432,	2721, 3024,
324,	1565,	1785,	2193,	2437,	2780, 3041,
397,	1583,	1834,	2199,	2446,	2784, 3046,
416,	1594,	1876,	2221,	2466,	2761, 3126,
491,	1599,	1885,	2222,	2568,	2777, 3167,
1303,	1602,	1886,	2225,	2591,	2829, 3177,
1306,	1606,	1943,	2283,	2615,	2887, 3185,
1327,	1626,	1966,	2324,	2673,	2858, 3201,
1381,	1665,	1998,	2350,	2686,	2879, 3212,
1420,					

as the numbers of the eighty-five bonds, issued under the trust deed of the Chicago and Western Indiana Railroad Company, dated Nov. 1, 1879, to be redeemed, by the operation of the Sinking Fund, on May 1st next, at the office of Messrs. J. P. Morgan & Co., New York, at 105.

ANTHONY J. THOMAS, Trustees.
CHARLES H. RUSSELL,

The attention of the public who have been trading with irresponsible stock concerns is called to our
ODD LOT DEPARTMENT.
Fractional lots of all the active stocks bought and sold on the
NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE
at the "market price" of 100 share lots, either for cash or on margin. Correspondence invited.
DOUGLAS & JONES,
Members New York Stock Exchange,
ESTABLISHED 1886.
24 BROAD STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

N. Y. SECURITY AND TRUST CO.,
46 WALL STREET, NEW YORK.
Capital $1,000,000. Surplus $1,250,000.
CHARLES S. FAIRCHILD, President.
Wm. L. Strong 1st V.P. | Abram M. Hyatt, 2d V.P.
Osborn W. Bright, Sec.; Zelah Van Loan, Asst. Sec.

THE FINANCIAL MARKETS

Stock market strong.

Wall Street speculators short of stocks had a nervous day yesterday. As has been pointed out in these columns frequently of late, the short interest in most of the conspicuous shares traded in on the New York Stock Exchange have been much oversold, till in some quarters this short interest has been to a noteworthy extent unwieldy. Reflection of this fact controlled the course of yesterday's market.

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Much the most interesting feature of the day's business appeared in Sugar Trust stock transactions. Its quotation advanced between two and three points, and the last price of the day was the highest. There was larger trading in it than for some time past, practically 60,000 shares—equal to half of all the other transactions on the Stock Exchange for the whole day. Throughout all the trading in Sugar Trust stock there was at no time any show of hesitation.

Some of the bigger bear speculators of Wall Street are believed to have been caught and squeezed by the insiders who have been assiduously distributing depressing tales of woe through the Street for weeks past.

Greeks bearing gifts were but amateurs beside the smooth Wall Street insider in a confidential mood.

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Next to Sugar Trust stock, Chicago Gas was the liveliest feature of the day, considerably over 20,000 shares being traded in at sustained advances, a net gain of more than a whole point being scored. While Wall Street has lately been accumulating a big short interest in Chicago Gas stock on all sorts of rumors of competition and opposition in Chicago, an official report by the Auditor of the Chicago Gas Company up to March 31 shows that net earnings have increased 10 per cent. over what they were for the corresponding quarter of last year. This is a better exhibit than New York interests in the property had anticipated. It accounts, perhaps, for some of the buying confidence shown yesterday.

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All the New York Gas stocks were strong in yesterday's market on Albany developments. Consolidated stock rose between 2 and 3 points.

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The covering movement throughout the rest of the market was extended into the anthracite coal group. Lackawanna, on the trifling transaction of 100 full shares, rose nearly 3 points. Between 3,000 and 4,000 shares of Delaware and Hudson lifted that stock, however, only fractionally. In Jersey Central, the trading aggregated nearly 10,000 shares, and the net change for the day was a rise of 1½. Of this 10,000 shares, probably two-thirds was for the short account, while there were evidences that purchases were being made for interests caught long of the stock at higher prices, and now disposed to "average." Indications also were in evidence of continuing sales of long stock for the account of insiders.

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At the close of the day, when loan rates were made, the record still showed an abnormal borrowing demand in many quarters. It may not be amiss to surmise that, in part, at least, this feature of the market is a matter of manipulative work. All the cleverness and adroitness of Wall Street is not on the bear side.

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Government bonds were unchanged. There were sales of $1,000 4s, 1907, registered, at 111⅝, and $110,000 4s, 1925, coupon, at 124⅝.

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Net changes in stocks of one-half of 1 per cent. or more were:

Stocks Advanced.

Am. Sug. Ref.	2½	Del., Lack. & W.	2⅝
Am. Tobacco	½	Ill. Steel Co.	½
Balt. & Ohio	1	Lake Shore	½
Brook. Un. Gas	2½	Louis. & Nash.	¾
Can. Southern	½	Manhattan	¾
Canadian Pacific	2½	N. J. Central	1½
Chicago, Bur. & Q.	1½	Northern Pacific pf.	½
Chicago Gas	1¾	Pullman Car	1
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	⅝	Reading 1st pf.	½
Chi. & Northwest	1	St. P. & Omaha	⅞
C., R. I. & Pac.	1	U. S. Express	1
C., C. C. & St. L.	¾	U. S. Leather pf.	1½
Consol. Gas	2½	West. Union	1¾
Del. & Hudson	¾		

Stock Declined.

Ann Arbor pf	⅜

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Net changes in bond quotations of 1 per cent. or more were:

Bonds Advanced.

Brook. W. & W. 5s.	1	St. P. gen. 4s, Series	
Col., H. V. & Tol. 5s.	1¼	H	1½
Mo. Pacific 3d	1	Stand. R. & T. 6s	1½

Bonds Declined.

At., C. & Pac. 1st	1½	Ev. & T. H. 1st	1½
Col. Mid. con. 4s, t. r.	2	Ohio & Miss. 2d	1½

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

The money market was quiet. Call loans at 1½@2 per cent. The last loan was made at 1½ per cent.

Time money, 2 per cent. for sixty days, 2½ per cent. for ninety days, 3 per cent. for four months, 3½ per cent. for five to seven months. Commercial paper rates, 3½ per cent. for indorsed bills receivable, 3¾@4 per cent. for first-class single names, and 4@5 per cent. for good names.

Clearing House exchanges, $79,938,414; balances, $6,273,476; Sub-Treasury debit balance, $468,769.

Money on call in London, ⅝@1 per cent. Discount rate in open market, 1 1-16 per cent. for both short and three months' bills.

Foreign exchange market firm. Posted rates unchanged at $4.86½ for sixty days and $4.88 for demand. Actual rates were $4.85⅝@$4.85⅞ for sixty-day bills, $4.87½@$4.87¼ for demand, $4.87⅝@$4.87½ for cable transfers, and 4.84⅜@$4.85 for commercial.

In Continental, Paris francs were quoted at 5.17½ for long and 5.16¼ for short, reichsmarks at 95⅛ and 95⅝, and guilders at 40 and 40⅝.

New York exchange quoted as follows: Chicago—25c premium. Boston—4@5c discount. San Francisco—Sight, 17½c premium; telegraphic, 25c premium. New Orleans—Commercial, par; bank, $1 premium. Savannah—Buying, 1-16c off; selling, par. Charleston—Buying, par; selling, ⅛c premium. St. Louis—Par to 25c premium.

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Call money was somewhat more active yesterday, but in the other departments of the market stagnation was the only feature. Some call loans were made at 2 per cent., and there was a firmer tendency to rates in that department. Time funds, however, were, if anything, in smaller demand than heretofore, with offerings still liberal. The moderate supply of commercial paper continues without change; the demand for bills is large.

THE LONDON MARKET.

American shares were irregular in the London market. The principal changes were: Advanced—Louisville and Nashville, ⅝, to 47¼, and St. Paul, ⅛, to 74⅛. Declined—New York Central, 1, to 102½; Illinois Central, ⅝, to 94; Reading, ⅜, to 10½, and Atchison ⅛, to 10⅝. Canadian Pacific sold at 51½, Erie at 13¼, do first preferred at 30, and Pennsylvania at 53⅜. British consols advanced ⅛, to 112 5-16, for money, and 112 7-16 for the account.

The Bank of England rate of discount reduced from 3 to 2½ per cent. The bullion in the bank shows a decrease of £945,923. The proportion of reserve to liability, which last week was 52.65 per cent., now stands at 52.31 per cent., as compared with a decline from 59.24 to 59.17 per cent. in the corresponding week last year. The statement shows the following changes as compared with the previous account: Total reserve decreased £1,305,000, circulation increased £359,000, bullion decreased £945,923, other securities decreased £984,000, other deposits increased £2,515,000, public deposits decreased £5,020,000; notes reserve decreased £1,483,000, Government securities decreased £580,000.

Open price for bar gold ¼d higher at 77s 11½d. American eagles 1d lower at 76s 5d. In Paris, 4 P. M.—Rentes sold at 102f 75c, and exchange on London at 25f 14c. The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows an increase in account notes in circulation of 18,925,000f; Treasury accounts current decreased 55,470,000f, gold in hand decreased 1,700,000f; bills discounted decreased 56,100f, and silver in hand decreased 3,200,000f.

THE CEREAL OUTLOOK.

Mr. George Hollister of Hollister & Crane, recognized as being among the foremost of American grain merchants, said yesterday to a representative of THE NEW YORK TIMES, regarding the cereal situation:

"Just at present the wheat market is attracting some little attention, but in the other grain departments there is very little except a sympathetic movement. In both corn and oats prices are low, lower than we like to see them, but I doubt very much if there will be any further extensive drop in prices. At present figures both corn and oats are cheap enough, and with prevailing conditions, I hardly believe that there will be any further slump in those markets.

"On the other hand, I do not look for any upward movement in prices. The supply is large—amply sufficient to take care of the demand. But, although the supplies are large, it must be remembered that the farmers are always gradually selling out quietly, and in such a way as not to attract any great attention. So that, when we go to look into the matter, there may not be as much grain in the hands of the farmers as there is supposed to be.

"For some time, however, I look for a quiet market. At the present outlook there is very little to influence prices one way or the other. Of course it is too early to predict anything for future crops. About all that can be said as to the present situation is that there appears to be a liberal supply of grain, with a demand only large enough to keep prices steady around their present level."

WHAT IS HAPPENING?

"Theories are not to be relied upon which represent that the rallying quality of the stock market is a matter merely contributed by the sudden exigencies of bear speculators rushing, all of a sudden, to cover outstanding short contracts."

This was the comment made yesterday upon the course of the market by Mr. Charles Minzesheimer of the Stock Exchange.

"Undoubtedly we have been building up a big short interest for some time past," continued Mr. Minzesheimer, "but there is more in this market than the mere turning of a few bear somersaults. In some conspicuous stocks the short interest has been unwieldly for a long time. We have had a good deal of bad news, and every item of it has induced, not merely bear courage, but bear activity. For the most part the depressing things that have come to pass have really been superficial, and not entitled to consideration as lasting factors. But it has been so fashionable in Wall Street to be blue that a good many of us have too freely sold stocks that we didn't own. The market has been oversold. A rally has been due for weeks past.

"In what has taken place to-day in the market, however, there is more apparent than bear covering. We have had confident buying from quarters where there are no bear relationships. People have been buying stocks to-day, and for quite a time recently, as investors rather than speculators. It need not be surprising if before long we have the present strength—and, I believe, further strength—explained amply to us by the disclosure that important transactions (with far-reaching tonic influences) have been under way and accomplished by the most powerful interests in the American financial world. It takes something more than mere short covering to explain this buoyancy."

THE NEW READING.

Activity is expected in the securities of the new Reading Company "voting Trustees' certificates," for first preferred, second preferred, and common stock. It is rare that the Stock Exchange has filed with it detailed information as full and explicit as that upon which the Governors have acted in listing the new Reading bonds and shares.

According to the statement furnished by the company with its application for listing the securities, the Reading Company owns and has pledged for its mortgage hereinafter mentioned:

Railway equipment	$16,950,000.00	
Real estate of railroad company	16,000,000.00	
Colliers and barges	1,450,000.00	
		$34,400,000.00
Stocks and bonds—		
Stock of Phila. & Reading Railway Company at par	$20,000,000.00	
Bond of Phila. & Reading Railway Company at par	20,000,000.00	
Stock of the Phila. & Reading Coal & Iron Co. at par	8,000,000.00	
Stock of the Reading Iron Company at par	1,000,000.00	
Other stocks and bonds which control about 275 miles of railroad at par	38,488,246.00	
		$87,448,246.00
Mortgages and ground rents at par.		*206,594.16
Phila. & Reading Coal & Iron Co—		
Assets as shown by its books	$95,435,453.79	
Less bonds, &c	$17,874,606.48	
Less current liabilities	1,406,168.84	
Less stock of P. & R. C. and I. Co. included in "stocks and bonds"	8,000,000.00	
	27,280,774.80	
		68,154,678.99
Claims against other companies		3,848,382.87
Other stocks and bonds—		
*Schuylkill Navigation Company. Preferred and common stock	$3,941,800.00	
*Susquehanna Canal Company. Bonds and stock	3,848,160.94	
	$7,789,960.94	
Valued at		1,000.00
		$198,613,992.02

It is officially stated that among the principal assets of the Reading Company is its ownership in the securities of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company and the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company. By means of the former, the practical ownership of the railway company is vested in the Reading Company. The mortgage securing the bond of the railway company provides for additional bonds up to $10,000,000, which, together with like amounts of capital stock, may be issued from time to time to the Reading Company in order to enable the latter to deposit same under its mortgage and obtain the issue of a like amount of the reserved bonds thereunder, when and as the Reading Company advances money for new construction, &c., upon the lines of the railway company and of certain of the companies leased or controlled by it. In this way the lien of the Reading Company's mortgage on the property of the railway company is constantly preserved and strengthened. The railway company's mortgage is stringent in its provisions, and allows the issue of the $10,000,000 bonds only in a manner and for purposes which are consistent with the provisions of the Reading Company mortgage.

Stated in detail, on completion of reorganization, the results of the three companies will show as follows:

READING COMPANY.

Estimate of fixed charges—		
Railroad company mort.	$2,276,491.63	$110,000.00
New bonds	50,869,054.00	2,014,762.00
Total		$2,124,762.00
Taxes, &c., say		200,000.00
Total		$2,324,762.00
Estimate of income (based on 1896 results)—		
From railway company for rental of equipment, colliers, &c.	$1,472,000.00	
From railway company for rental of Delaware wharves	56,000.00	
From railway company, interest ($20,000,000)	1,260,009.00	
From securities	781,023.00	
From real estate (formerly of railroad company)	125,000.00	
		3,628,023.00
Surplus		$1,303,261.00

RAILWAY COMPANY.

Interest on undisturbed bonds, &c.	$2,603,648.00
Interest on $30,000,000 bond held by Reading Company	1,200,000.00
Rentals, (railroads, say)	3,100,000.00
Rentals (equipment, colliers, and wharves) as above, say	1,522,000.00
Taxes	175,000.00
Sundries	75,000.00
Total fixed charges of railway company, say	$8,675,648.00
Property now controlled by railway company earned net, in year ending Nov. 30, 1896	8,805,807.60
Surplus	$130,159.00

COAL AND IRON COMPANY.

Interest on $12,050,000 new general mortgage 4s to replace outstanding divisional coal land bonds and mortgages	$482,000.00	
Interest on coal trust certificates, $4,050,000, at 6 per cent.	243,000.00	
Coal trust commission	50,000.00	
		$775,000.00
Interest on collateral sinking fund loan, $1,774,000, at 5 per cent.		88,700.00
Total		$863,700.00
Net earnings year ended Nov. 30, 1896		238,344.00
Deficit		$625,356.00

EARNINGS OF ALL COMPANIES IN YEAR ENDED NOV. 30, 1896.

(After paying all fixed charges as they will stand on completion of plan.)

	Deficit.	Surplus.
Railway Company		$130,159.00
Coal and Iron Company	$625,356.00	
Reading Company		1,303,261.00
Surplus, all companies (to balance)	808,064.00	
Total	$1,433,420.00	$1,433,420.00

Stated in the simpler form, which was adopted in the plan of reorganization, and eliminating all accounts between the three companies:

Net earnings of entire property (including income from all sources) in year ended Nov. 30, 1896	$9,480,736.00
Fixed charges of entire property on completion of reorganization	8,672,672.00
For the present year, pending completion of refunding schemes, &c., they will be, perhaps, $800,000 to $400,000 more.	
Referring to the plan of reorganization, dated Dec. 14, 1896, it will be noticed on page 10 thereof that the fixed charges after reorganization are stated at about	$9,300,000.00
Add for subway so far accrued	10,460.00
Total	$9,310,460.00

The plan further states that by refunding of high-rate bonds, &c., these charges will be reduced by about 500,000.00

Making $8,810,460.00

the ultimate fixed charge under the plan. Under the plan as actually carried out, they will not be over $8,672,672.

The accounts of all the companies as reorganized have started from Nov. 1, 1896, eliminating all accounts between the three companies. The results since then are substantially the same as for the corresponding period of last year.

A CHANGE OF BASE.

A noticeable change has been effected in the tenor of Wall Street gossip regarding Chicago Gas. Previous to the Chicago election, when all straws indicated the success of Carter H. Harrison, the Popocrat candidate for Mayor, much was to be heard regarding the disastrous effects to Chicago Gas of such an outcome to the contest in Chicago. It was then freely intimated that the party represented by Mr. Harrison was practically composed of spoilsmen, and that there would be a renewal of legislative attacks upon the Chicago Gas properties should the Democrats win. The bears made much capital of this talk, and it gained much credence in the Street.

When the election came to take place, however, a change came over this talk, and now it is understood here that former ideas regarding Mr. Harrison's probable administration were foolish ones. It appears that Mr. Harrison in the campaign received the support of many of Chicago's large corporations, and that the business interests of that city now feel confident that they have a set of competent business men in charge of their municipal affairs.

NEW ENGLAND ROADS SAFE.

The Boston Globe quotes the President of a New England Railroad corporation as saying:

"We are very happily fixed in New England under the Supreme Court decision. The territory has been practically divided and appropriated between a few systems—the New Haven on the south and the Boston and Maine on the north, with only the Albany and the Fitchburg between, and as each company has its well-defined territory there is no necessity for any further agreement or any consideration of the illegality of agreements. We have no railroad agreements in New England in violation of this decision, and we are in need of no agreements."

RUMORS ON THE VANDERBILTS.

Rumors are current of new activity in the Vanderbilts, and many people are predicting a good bull movement in that group. It was said yesterday that, aside from the New York Central refunding matter, favorable news would shortly develop regarding Northwest, and also Canada Southern, and that in any upward movement in the Vanderbilt stocks these two latter would share largely.

LEATHER TRADE WAITING.

According to The Shoe and Leather Reporter, the leather market presents a quiet appearance, and yet considerable leather in the aggregate is changing hands. Tanners are generally presenting a firm front, though shoe manufacturers are pressing hard to find weak spots. The latter realize, however, that any serious break in leather values at this time would be but little short of a calamity to the shoe interests. It seems quite probable that houses which have not covered their early requirements will purchase in a hand-to-mouth way for several weeks. Tanners are pushing somewhat for orders, but buyers are holding back, waiting for reports from the small army of salesmen who are now starting out with Fall shoe samples; much depends on the success they meet with. The situation will be better defined a fortnight hence.

WOOL MARKET CONDITIONS.

In its weekly market review The American Wool and Cotton Reporter says:

The wool market may be characterized as somewhat less excited than the week before, but it can nevertheless be described as active and firm. The lessened activity may be ascribed to two causes—smaller offerings and the uncertainty attending the retroactive clause in the new tariff bill. In a word, it is not that the dealers cannot sell wool, but that they will not.

Quotations appear to have reached the point where the manufacturers have become conservative. Many of them are fond of letting the fact be known that they have got at least a year's supply of wool on hand, evidently with the hope that by so doing they can stem the current of rising quotations. At any rate, they have not been in the market the past week in quite such full numbers as previously.

TREASURY BALANCES.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—To-day's statement of the condition of the Treasury shows:

Available cash balance	$225,019,015
Gold reserve	152,706,355
Net silver	10,908,790
United States notes in the Treasury	23,288,144
Treasury notes of 1890	25,429,653
Total receipts this day	1,187,809
Total receipts this month	16,925,843
Total expenditures this day	1,173,000
Total expenditures this month	12,656,000
Deposits in National banks	16,905,835

National bank notes received to-day for redemption, $433,980; Government receipts from internal revenue, $418,317; customs, $687,948; miscellaneous, $22,845.

OUTSIDE SECURITIES.

Traction Quotations.

	Bid.	Asked.
Broadway & Seventh Avenue	205	208
Broadway & Seventh Avenue 1st	108	109
Broadway & Seventh Avenue 2d	107	113
Broadway Surface 1st 5s	115	118
Broadway Surface 2d	104	106
Brooklyn City Railroad	182	184
Brooklyn, Bath & West End 5s	65	70
Brooklyn Elevated	⅛	½
Brooklyn, Queens Co. & Sub. 5s	102	105
Buffalo Crosstown 5s	104½	106
Buffalo Street Railway stock, ex div.	72¾	74
Buffalo Street Railway, 1st consols	106	108
Central Park, N. & E. River	164	170
Central Park, N. & E. River 7s	112	115
Dry Dock, E. B. & B. R. R.	168	170
Eighth Avenue Railroad	310	340
42d St., Man. & St. Nich. Av.	40	50
42d St., Man. & St. Nich. Av. 1st	116	118
42d St., Man. & St. Nich. Av. 2d	65	68
Kings County Traction	38	40
Ninth Avenue Railroad	160	170
Steinway R. R. 6s	111	114
Second Avenue Railroad stock	110	130
Second Avenue Railroad 1st 5s	108½	110
Sixth Avenue Railroad stock	170	190
Third Avenue Railroad	157	159
Union Ry. 1st 5s (Hookleberry)	103	106
Worcester (Mass.) Traction	17	19
Worcester (Mass.) Traction pf.	91	92½

Ferry Securities.

Hoboken Ferry stock	69	70
Hoboken Ferry 5s	98	100
Metropolitan Ferry 5s	108	110
N. Y. & N. J. Ferry stock	50	55
N. Y. & E. R. Ferry 5s	89	90½
N. Y. & E. R. stock	64	68
Union Ferry stock	69	94
Union Ferry 5s	103½	105

Natural Gas.

Fort Wayne Gas stock	81	83
Fort Wayne 1st 6s	92	93½
Indianapolis Gas stock	181	185
Indianapolis Gas 1st	106	108
Lafayette Gas Company stock	84	88
Lafayette Gas Company 1st 6s	92	94
Logansport & Wab. Val. Gas stock	60	62
Logansport & Wab. Val. 6s	75	77

Illuminating Gas.

Columbus Gas	73	75
Consolidated Gas bonds of N. J.	75	80
Consolidated Gas of N. J.	16	19
Consumers' Gas (Jersey City) stock	77	82
Consumers' Gas (Jersey City) bonds	103	104
Equitable Gas Company of N. Y.	210	212
Grand Rapids Gas stock	61	63
Mutual Gas Company of New York	245	255
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Company stock	56	57
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Company pf.	92	93½
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Company 1st	106	107
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Company consol.	99	100
St. Paul Gas bonds	76	80
Standard Gas, New York	89	91
Standard Gas, New York, pf.	111	113
Standard Gas, New York, 1st	111	113
Western Gas Company, Milwaukee	65	67
Western Gas Co. bonds, Milwaukee	94	95

Industrials.

American Bank Note	42½	44½
American Typefounders	23	31
Barney & Smith common	10	14
Celluloid Company stock	60	63
Cramps' Shipyard stock	46	53
Herring-Hall-Marvin	5	5
Herring-Hall-Marvin pf	17	22
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling pf.	68	73
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling bonds	96	99
Lorillard Company pf.	106	108
Michigan Peninsular Car	13	16½
Michigan Peninsular Car pf.	48	50
Michigan Penin. Car 5 p. c. bonds	86	90
New York Air Brake Company	17	19
New York Biscuit Company 6s	106	108
Nicaragua Canal Con. (new)	6	7
Pennsylvania Coal	320	340
Pratt & Whitney	7	10
Pratt & Whitney pf	61	85
Standard Oil Trust	288	290
Trenton Pottery	10	12
Trenton Pottery pf.	48	44
Union Typewriter	6½	7½
Union Typewriter 1st	87	90
Union Typewriter 2d pf.	73	74
Wagner Car Company	155	157
Worthington Pump pf	80	88

The Miscellaneous List.

Acker, Merrall & Condit	96	99
Central & South American Tel.	118½	120
Commercial Cable stock	165	170
Electro-Pneumatic	⅞	1
Hudson River Tel. stock	59	62½
Iron Steamboat	4	6
Iron Steamboat 6s	62	66
Madison Square Garden stock	5	10
Madison Square Garden 2d	62	68
Metropolitan El., Chicago, 1st 5s	43	47
New York & New Jersey Tel.	132	136
New York Loan & Imp. stock	45	100
Northwestern Telegraph Company	106	109
Postal Telegraph & Cable Co.	96½	98½
Pittsburg, Bessemer & L. E.	15	16
Trow Directory pf.	34	37

BULLION AND MINING.

Silver bullion certificates quoted on the Stock Exchange at 61⅝@62¼. No sales.

Commercial price of bar silver, 61¾c per ounce. Mexican silver dollars quoted at 48¾@49¼c.

The Mercantile Safe Deposit Company holds 400,021.75 ounces of silver bullion.

Bar silver in London, 28⅜d per ounce.

The following shows the gold movement from Jan. 1, as compared with the last four years:

Imports, Jan. 1 to date	$1,134,604
Exports in same period	1,073,156
Net imports	$61,448
Net imports, 1896	3,862,869
Net exports, 1895	16,867,436
Net exports, 1894	5,218,407
Net exports, 1893	31,957,780

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On the Stock Exchange 1,000 shares of Iron Silver sold at .34. On the Consolidated Exchange 500 shares of Alamo sold at .05, 500 shares Brunswick at .08, and 600 Pharmacist at .13.

BIDS FOR BANK STOCKS.

America	318	Manhattan	220
American Exch.	172½	Market & Fulton	200
Broadway	225	Mechanics'	185
Butch. & Drovers'	110	Mech. & Traders'	125
Central National	160	Mercantile	160
Chase National	400	Merchants'	140
Chatham	290	Merchants' Exch.	112
Chemical	4000	Metropolis	425
City	500	Nassau	156
Citizens	125	National Union	200
Columbia	170	New Amsterdam	190
Commerce	206	New York	230
Continental	130	New York County	700
Corn Exchange	285	Nat. Bk. No. Amer.	135
East River	135	Pacific	170
Fifth Avenue	3000	Park	280
First Nat. of S. I.	120	People's	210
Fourth National	178	Phenix	104
Garfield National	600	Republic	150
Gallatin National	310	Seaboard National	170
German American	110	Second National	425
Germania	350	Seventh National	100
Greenwich	165	Shoe & Leather	90
Hanover	320	State of N. Y.	114
Hudson River	155	Third National	70
Imp. & Traders'	525	Tradesmen's	95
Irving	140	U. S. National	175
Leather Manfrs.	170	West Side	275
Lincoln National	750	Western National	114

PHILADELPHIA PRICES.

PHILADELPHIA, April 8.—Aside from the strength displayed by the specialties in the early dealings, to-day's market lacked special feature. The railroad list, Pennsylvania, Reading, Lehigh Navigation, Lehigh Valley, and kindred stocks, showed comparatively slight changes, being only moderately active. The specialties were the strong features. Of these, Welsbach Light and Welsbach Commercial were actively dealt in at advances extending from 1 to 2½ per cent. Electric Storage preferred also experienced an upward spurt, but not until both the common and preferred had touched the lowest prices of recent record. A general hardening tendency to prices was apparent in others of this group. The local and out-of-town traction issues showed a firm undertone on limited transactions. The Heat stocks were in fair demand at improving quotations. Evidence of investment demand was not lacking, judging from the number of small lots traded in during the course of the day. The closing was rather quiet and featureless at these quotations for the leading issues:

Lehigh Valley	23½	23¾
Pennsylvania	52¾	53
Reading	10⅝	10 7-16
Lehigh Navigation	38½	39
Reading 1st p. c.	80	80¼
Electric Traction	71¾	72
W. N. Y. & P.	2¼	2½
Met. Traction	103	104
Philadelphia Traction	70½	70¾
Baltimore Traction	19¾	19⅞
U. Traction	11	11⅛
Penn. Heat	13⅜	14
Penn. Heat pf.	33	33½
U. Gas Imp.	71	71½
Electric Storage	19½	20
Electric Storage pf.	21½	22
Welsbach Light	39½	40
Am. Ry. Electric	5¾	6

CHICAGO QUOTATIONS.

CHICAGO, April 8.—Match stock opened to-day at 141½ and 142½ account. It broke almost immediately to 141 for each. The price then climbed back again to the opening figure and 142 for account, closing at about the same figures. Lake Street Elevated attracted some attention. It opened at 13¾, sold down to 12½, and back again, closing at 13½. Several of the cable stocks were firm. To-day's Clearing House settlement prices:

American Strawboard	24¾
C. & Chi. C. & D. Co.	63½
Brew. & Malt. Co.	8
Brew. & Malt. Co. pf.	33
Chicago Packing & P. Co.	33⅜
Chicago Packing & P. Co. pf.	80
Chicago City Railway	222
Diamond Match Company of Illinois	141½
Lake Street Elevated	13¾
International Packing Co.	23½
International Packing Co. pf.	45
Milw. & Chi. Brew. Co.	9¼
Mil. & Chi. Brew. Co. pf.	34½

FINANCIAL.

COPPERS.

To the Stockholders of the Calumet & Hecla, Boston & Montana and Butte & Boston Copper Mining Companies.

Owing to the large demand for our recent treatise on "Coppers," we have decided to put it in book form.

"Coppers" (thirty-two pages) with our reasons for advising the purchase of Calumet & Hecla, Boston & Montana, and Butte & Boston stock, and also our reasons for believing that Butte & Boston stock will give larger returns and profits than any other stock now on the market, will be ready for delivery Friday, April 2d, 1897, and will be sent free on application by mail to our Boston office.

"Coppers" will also contain a complete revised list of members of the Boston Stock Exchange.

LAWSON, WEIDENFELD & CO.

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NEW YORK. Bankers and Brokers. BOSTON.

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PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILROAD COMPANY

Improvement Mortgage Bonds, Due Oct. 1, 1897.

Office of Philadelphia and Reading Railway Co., PHILADELPHIA, March 4, 1897.

This Company has made an arrangement with Messrs. Drexel & Co. to extend the Improvement Mortgage Bonds, issued by the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, maturing Oct. 1 next, for a period of fifty years from April 1st, 1897, with interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first days of October and April in each year, at the office of the said Railway Company, in the City of Philadelphia, both principal and interest to be payable in gold coin of the United States, of the present standard of weight and fineness, without deduction for any taxes imposed by the United States or the State of Pennsylvania, under present or future laws. The lien of the mortgage now securing said bonds to continue unimpaired, and the Reading Company (the owner of the capital stock of said Railway Company) also to become responsible for the payment of the principal and interest of the said bonds.

The right to extend, as above, has been reserved to such of the present holders as shall deposit their bonds for that purpose with Drexel & Co., Philadelphia; J. P. Morgan & Co., New York, or J. S. Morgan & Co., London, on or before April 15th, 1897.

The coupon due April 1st, 1897, (unless previously collected,) will be cashed at time of deposit, and at the same time depositors will be paid $10 in cash on each $1,000 bond, being the difference between interest at the rate of 6% and the rate of 4% for the period from April 1st, 1897, to the present date of maturity of the bond on October 1st, 1897.

Such bonds as may not be extended by the holders or be presented for that purpose by Messrs. Drexel & Co. will be paid at maturity.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAILWAY CO.,
By W. A. CHURCH, Treasurer.

Philadelphia, New York, and London, March 4th, 1897.

Referring to the above notice of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, we are now ready to receive at either of our offices any of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company Improvement Bonds for extension, and to make the cash payment above indicated.

We are also prepared to buy at par and interest at the rate of 6% per annum to October 1st, 1897, less discount at the rate of 8% per annum, any of the bonds the holders of which may prefer to sell rather than to extend.

DREXEL & CO.,
5th and Chestnut Streets, Philadelphia.
J. P. MORGAN & CO.,
23 Wall Street, New York.
J. S. MORGAN & CO.,
22 Old Broad Street, London.

WANTED.

Metropolitan West Side Elevated (of Chicago) First Mortgage Bond Scrip.

EDGAR DEAL,
Edison Building, 44 Broad St.

PROPOSALS.

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COMMISSIONERS OF THE SINKING FUND OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK, 1897.
TO CONTRACTORS.
PROPOSALS

For furnishing materials and performing work in the erection and completion of a Hospital Building on Gouverneur Slip, between Front and Water Streets, in New York City, pursuant to Chapter 703, Laws of 1894, as amended by Chapter 399, Laws of 1895.

Sealed estimates for the above work, indorsed with the above title, also with the name of the person or persons making the same, and the date of presentation, will be received at the office of the Comptroller, Rooms Nos. 14 and 15, Finance Department, Stewart Building, No. 280 Broadway, in the City of New York, until Thursday, April 15th, 1897, at 12 o'clock M., at which place and hour the bids will be publicly opened by, and in the presence of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, or a majority of them, and read, and the award of the contract, if awarded, will be made to the lowest bidder, with adequate security, as soon thereafter as practicable. The person or persons to whom the contract may be awarded will be required to attend at the office of the Department of Public Works, with the sureties offered by him or them, and execute the contract within five days from the date of the service of a notice to that effect; and in case of failure or neglect so to do, he or they will be considered as having abandoned it, and as in default to the corporation, and thereupon the work shall be readvertised and relet, and so on until the contract be accepted and executed. The work to commence at such time as the Commissioner of Public Works may designate.

N. B.—Permission will not be given for the withdrawal of any bid or estimate. No bid will be accepted from, or contract awarded to, any person who is in arrears to the corporation upon debt or contract, or who is a defaulter, as surety or otherwise, upon any obligation to the corporation.

The entire work is to be completed within FIFTEEN MONTHS after the date of the signing of this contract.

The amount of security required is FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS, as hereinabove specified.

Blank forms of estimates, and further information, if required, can be obtained on application at the office of the Comptroller, No. 280 Broadway; also the form of agreement, including the specifications for the work. For full information see City Record—New York, April 2, 1897.

WILLIAM L. STRONG, Mayor;
JOHN W. GOFF, Recorder;
ASHBEL P. FITCH, Comptroller;
ANSON G. McCOOK, Chamberlain;
JOHN T. OAKLEY, Chairman Committee on Finance,
Board of Aldermen;
Commissioners of the Sinking Fund.

PROPOSALS FOR FUEL, ETC.—WEST POINT, N. Y., April 7, 1897. Sealed proposals in triplicate, will be received here until 12 o'clock M., May 7, 1897, and then opened, for supplying the U. S. Military Academy with Fuel, Gas Coal, Charcoal, and Gas Oil, required during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898. U. S. reserves right to reject any or all proposals or any part thereof. Information furnished upon application. Envelopes containing proposals should be marked "Proposals" and addressed to J. B. BELLINGER, Capt., A. Q. M.

NOTICE.—School Bonds of Union Free School District No. 1, Newtown, Queens County.

Sealed proposals for the purchase of Fifty-three Bonds of $1,000 each, bearing 4 per cent. interest, will be received up to April 20th, 1897. For full particulars apply to F. DE HASS SI. MONSON, District Clerk, Newtown, Queens Co., N. Y.

NEW CORPORATIONS.

The A. S. Miner China Company of Binghamton; capital, $50,000. Directors—A. S. Miner, Hattie S. Booth, and S. A. Royce, all of Binghamton.

The American Retailers' Cigarette Company of New York City; capital, $5,000. Directors—Domingo Aldac, B. J. Hughes, and C. J. Boehme of New York City.

Imperial Publishing Company of Poughkeepsie, to manufacture paper patterns; capital, $5,000. Directors—John C. Reed, Henry Allen, and James L. Williams of Poughkeepsie.

The Union Tire and Supply Company of New York City; capital, $60,000. Directors—August Silvers, L. J. Wilde, C. W. Thompson, and Herman Silvers of New York City, and T. B. Beecher of Bridgeport, Conn.

Hawkes-Jackson Company of New York City, to manufacture stationery, novelties, and supplies; capital, $10,000. Directors—L. A. Hawkes of Bayonne, N. J.; A. P. Jackson of Rutherford, N. J.; M. E. Stone of New Brighton, S. I., and Frank T. Brown of Brooklyn.

The Donaldson-Brown Company of New York City, to manufacture gas fixtures and deal in wall-paper; capital, $10,000. Directors—Joseph Donaldson and C. E. Brown of Elizabeth, N. J.; T. H. Brown of Brooklyn, Clinton Van Vliet of New York, and Edward Morehouse of East Orange, N. J.

SAN FRANCISCO MINING STOCKS.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 8.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks to-day were as follows:

	Thursday.	Wednesday.
Alta	.01	.07
Alpha Con.	.10	.10
Andes	.21	.22
Belcher	.37	.28
Best & Belcher	.55	.66
Bullion	.09	.10
Caledonia	.12	.12
Challenge Con.	.35	.37
Chollar	1.10	1.10
Confidence	.80	.82
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.55	1.40
Con. Imperial	.02	.02
Con. New York	.01	....
Crown Point	.15	.16
Exchequer	.03	.03
Gould & Curry	.34	.35
Hale & Norcross	.85	.89
Julia	.04	....
Justice	.05	....
Kentucky Con.	....	.05
Lady Washington Con.	.44	....
Mexican	.45	....
Occidental Con.	.16	.16
Ophir	1.00	1.00
Overman	.08	.09
Potosi	.33	.34
Savage	.27	.29
Sierra Nevada	.46	.48
Silver Hill	.01	.01
Union Con.	.25	.27
Utah Con.	.07	.09
Yellow Jacket	.28	.30

Silver (62) Mexican dollars, 49½@50; drafts, sight, 20; telegraphic, 22½.

COLORADO SPRINGS, April 8.—Gardner & Co. report closing quotations as follows:

	Thursday.	Wednesday.
Alamo	.04½	.04½
Anaconda	.53¾	.53¾
Argentum	.26	.29
Blue Bell	.04½	.04½
Consolidated	.06	.06
Elkton	1.13	1.14
Gibson	.20	.22½
Golden Fleece	.30	.30
Gronen	.07½	.07½
Isabella	.39½	.40
Jefferson	.09½	.10
Pharmacist	.13½	.14
Portland	.62	.62
Rosa	.09½	.09½
Union	.12¾	.14½
Work	.06¾	.06¾

The Procter & Gamble Company.

Cincinnati, Ohio, March 16, 1897.

The Directors of this Company have this day declared the regular quarterly dividend of TWO PER CENT. on the Preferred Stock of the Company, payable on and after April 15th. The transfer books will be closed from April 1st to April 15th, inclusive. D. B. GAMBLE, Sec'y.

NEW YORK PRODUCE EXCHANGE BANK.

New York, March 30, 1897.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, a dividend of Three Per Cent. was declared, payable April 15, 1897.

Transfer books will be closed from April 5th to 15th, inclusive.

WILLIAM A. SHERMAN, Cashier.

SURROGATE NOTICES.

GUARD, CHARLES A.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against CHARLES A. GUARD, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of Norwood & Dilley, No. 140 Nassau Street, in the City of New-York, on or before the 11th day of June next.—Dated New-York, the 25th day of November, 1896. LETITIA GUARD, Administratrix. NORWOOD & DILLEY, Attorneys for Administratrix, 140 Nassau Street, N. Y. City. 1awsm

DRAWING NO. 6.

Mexican National Railroad Co.

Six per cent. Forty Years First Mortgage Bonds.

(PRIOR LIEN BONDS.)

Issue of $12,500,000.

Trustees:

Messrs. HUGH MACKAY MATHESON and WILLIAM G. RAOUL.

Notice is hereby given that the following are the numbers of 116 bonds of $1,000 each of the above issue, amounting together to the sum of $116,000, this day drawn for payment at par in the presence of Mr. Charles Joseph Watts, Notary Public of the City of London, in accordance with the conditions of the first mortgage or deed of trust, dated June 1, 1887, and a further indenture of same date, pledging certain subsidy moneys. These bonds are redeemable on the 1st day of June next at the Agency of the Mexican National Railroad Company, in New York, where the holders are required to present them for redemption, after which date interest on the said bonds will cease.

NUMBERS OF THE BONDS:

118	1576	3515	5510	7792	10516
145	1586	3675	5581	7823	10650
218	1621	3677	5729	7857	10677
227	1714	3758	6088	7858	10934
245	1781	3890	6235	7957	10968
254	1783	4133	6270	8313	11197
275	1926	4187	6279	8463	11260
313	2151	4192	6283	8480	11421
354	2246	4454	6328	8504	11445
422	2289	4461	6395	8617	11911
606	2449	4510	6475	8672	11941
726	2465	4639	6490	8795	11987
815	2576	4652	6581	8832	12057
826	3147	4697	6842	9016	12138
915	3217	4932	7085	9876	12278
957	3230	5004	7183	9877	12342
1026	3253	5103	7348	9772	
1218	3295	5126	7448	10115	
1368	3350	5396	7590	10263	
1449	3408	5468	7639	10503	

H. M. MATHESON,
WILLIAM G. RAOUL,
Trustees for the Bondholders.
LONDON, 22d March, 1897.

Presents:
CHARLES JOSEPH WATTS,
Notary Public.
Of the firm of DUFF, BRIDGES & WATTS,
5 Nicholas Lane, Lombard St., London.

NOTE.—Holders of drawn bonds may for their convenience obtain payment in London on 1st day of June, at the counting house of Messrs. Matheson & Co., No. 3 Lombard St., at a rate to be hereafter announced.

BONDS Nos. 91, 73, and 12386, DRAWN FOR PAYMENT ON 31ST MARCH, 1896, HAVE NOT YET BEEN PRESENTED.

DIVIDENDS.

Detroit, Mackinac & Marquette R. R. Co.

Detroit, Mich., April 5, 1897.

ONE (1) PER CENT. will be paid to the registered holders of the Land Grant Bonds of this company, being interest for six months ending March 31, 1897, on the 15th inst. at the Central Trust Co. of New York. Transfer books will close 10th inst. and reopen April 16, 1897. Blank orders may be procured from the Trust Company.

JAMES MILLIAN, } Trustees.
F. E. DRIGGS, }

Central Railroad Company of New Jersey.

143 Liberty Street,
NEW YORK, April 5th, 1897.

A dividend of One Per Cent. has this day been declared, payable May 1st, to stockholders of record at the close of business April 15th. The transfer books will be closed from three P. M. of Thursday, April 15th, till the morning of Tuesday, April 20th. J. WESTON, Treasurer.

The Procter & Gamble Company.

Cincinnati, Ohio, March 16, 1897.

The Directors of this Company have this day declared the regular quarterly dividend of TWO PER CENT. on the Preferred Stock of the Company, payable on and after April 15th. The transfer books will be closed from April 1st to April 15th, inclusive. D. B. GAMBLE, Sec'y.

NEW YORK PRODUCE EXCHANGE BANK.

New York, March 30, 1897.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors, held this day, a dividend of Three Per Cent. was declared, payable April 15, 1897.

Transfer books will be closed from April 5th to 15th, inclusive.

WILLIAM A. SHERMAN, Cashier.

THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

Complete Transactions in Stocks—Thursday, April 8, 1897.

Closing Bid.	Closing Asked.	Sales.		First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Net Change.
174	....	25	Albany & Susquehanna	177½	177½	177½	177½	....
10½	10¾	400	American Cotton Oil	10¾	11	10¾	11	+ ¼
57	58	175	Am. Cotton Oil pf	57¾	57¾	57¾	57¾	....
111¼	113	9	American Express	111½	111½	111½	111½	....
12⅝	13	814	American Spirits Mfg.	12¾	13	12¾	13	+ ⅛
33½	33⅝	226	Am. Spirits Mfg. pf	32	32⅝	32	32⅝	....
114⅝	114⅞	62,082	American Sugar Refs.	111⅞	114⅝	111⅞	114⅝	+ 2⅝
102½	102⅝	340	Am. Sugar Refs. pf	102⅜	102⅝	102⅜	102⅝	+ ⅛
74	74⅛	2,700	American Tobacco	73½	74	73⅝	74	+ ⅛
106	108	80	Am. Tobacco pf	107	107¼	107	107¼	....
21¼	22¾	300	Ann Arbor pf	24½	24½	22½	22½	-3⅛
10⅜	10⅞	975	At., T. & S. F.	10¼	10⅜	10¼	10⅜	....
20½	20⅝	2,270	At., T. & S. F. pf	19½	20¼	19½	20¼	+ ⅛
13½	14	100	Baltimore & Ohio	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	-2⅛
103	104	1,815	Brooklyn Union Gas	101	103¾	101	103¾	+ 2⅝
47⅞	48¼	119	Canada Southern	48	48	48	48	....
50	51	400	Canadian Pacific	50⅜	51	50⅜	51	+ ⅛
17½	17⅞	950	Chesapeake & Ohio	16⅞	17⅜	16⅞	17⅜	+ ⅛
71⅝	72¼	15,940	Chi., Bur. & Quincy	71⅞	72¾	71	72¼	+ ⅛
80⅜	80½	22,335	Chicago Gas	79½	80¾	79	80¾	+ 1⅛
73⅝	73⅞	11,320	Chi., Mil. & St. Paul	73	73⅝	73	73⅞	+ ⅛
105	105½	1,260	Chicago & Northw.	104½	105½	103⅝	105½	+ 1⅝
63¼	63⅝	2,764	Chi., Rock Isl. & Pac.	62⅞	63⅝	62⅞	63⅝	+ ⅝
30¼	30½	600	C., C., C. & St. Louis.	30	30¼	30	30¼	+ ⅛
19	19½	100	Colorado Fuel & Iron	17⅜	17⅜	17⅜	17⅜	....
3¼	3⅝	160	Col., Hav. & Tol.	3¼	3¼	3¼	3¼	....
161½	162	2,600	Consolidated Gas Co.	159¾	161½	159¼	161¾	+ 2¼
104½	104⅞	3,690	Delaware & Hudson	104	104⅝	104	104⅝	+ ⅝
152½	154	242	Del., Lack. & Western	152	152½	152	152½	+ ½
100⅝	108	9	Ed. Elec. Ill. of N. Y.	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾	....
12⅞	13¼	100	Erie	13	13	13	13	+ ⅛
31¾	32	200	General Electric	32	32	31¾	31¾	+ ⅛
32	33	100	Illinois Steel Co.	32½	32½	32½	32½	+ ⅜
....	6¼	100	Iowa Central	6¼	6¼	6¼	6¼	....
13⅝	15	200	Lake Erie & Western	14	14	14	14	....
165	165½	200	Lake Shore	163¾	165½	163½	165½	+ ¾
46½	46⅝	1,275	Louisville & Nashville	46¼	46¾	46¼	46¾	+ ⅝
85	85½	2,118	Manhattan Con.	84½	85⅜	84½	84⅞	+ ⅞
11½	12¼	100	Mo., Kan. & Tex.	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞	11⅞	....
27¼	27⅝	350	Mo., Kan. & Tex. pf.	27⅜	27⅞	27⅛	27⅞	+ ⅛
15⅞	16⅛	1,220	Missouri Pacific	15⅝	16⅛	15⅝	16	+ ⅛
23½	24	50	National Lead Co.	23½	23⅞	23½	23⅞	....
91½	92	18	National Lead Co. pf.	92½	92½	91¾	91¾	+ ⅛
78½	78⅝	9,590	New Jersey Central	77⅝	79	77⅝	78⅝	+ 1⅛
100¼	100⅞	1,050	New York Central	100	100¼	100	100¼	+ ⅛
22⅜	23¼	500	N. Y., Sus. & W. pf.	23	23	22⅜	22⅜	+ ⅛
24⅞	26	15	Norfolk & West. pf.	24¾	24¼	24¼	24¼	....
4	4¼	9	North American	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞	3⅞	....
12⅜	13¼	300	Northern Pacific	12⅜	12⅞	12⅜	12⅞	+ ⅜
36⅝	36⅞	1,966	Northern Pacific pf.	36½	36⅞	36½	36⅞	+ ⅜
41	44	100	O. S. Nav. pf.	40	45	40	40	-5
27	27½	1,300	Pacific Mail.	27¼	27½	26¾	27¼	+ ⅛
20⅜	21	4,984	P. & R., all in. pd.	20⅜	21¼	20⅜	20⅜	....
159	160	106	Pull. Pal. Car Co.	159	159	159	159	+1
41⅜	42	2,280	Reading 1st pf.	41¼	42¼	41¼	42	+ ⅛
25⅞	26	106	Reading 2d pf.	25¼	26	25¼	25¼	....
4¾	....	100	St. L. & S. F.	4¾	4¾	4¾	4¾	+ ⅛
37⅞	38½	200	St. L. & S. F. 1st pf.	38	38¾	38	38¼	+ ⅝
12⅜	13¼	100	St. L. & S. F. 2d pf.	13	13	13	13	+ ⅛
3½	3¾	100	St. Louis Southw.	3	3	3	3	+ ⅛
6¾	6⅞	800	St. Louis Southw. pf.	....	....	6¼	6¼	+ ⅛
59½	59⅝	2,700	St. Paul & Omaha	59	59⅝	58¾	59⅝	+ ⅛
14½	15	400	Southern Pacific	14½	14⅝	14½	14½	-⅛
8¼	8⅝	100	Southern Railway	8¼	8¾	8¼	8¾	+ ⅛
26¼	26½	710	Southern Railway pf.	26¼	26¾	26¼	26¾	+ ⅛
6¾	7	800	Standard R. & T.	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾	+ ⅛
25½	25¾	1,104	Tenn. Coal & Iron	25¼	25⅝	25	25⅝	+ ⅛
8¼	8½	100	Texas Pacific	8¼	8¼	8¼	8¼	....
5⅜	6	210	Union Pacific	5⅜	5⅝	5⅜	5⅝	+ ⅛
40	42½	255	United States Express.	40	40	40	40	+ 1
6¾	7	100	United States Leather	6¾	6¾	6¾	6¾	....
55½	55⅝	8,970	U. S. Leather pf.	54⅜	55⅝	54⅜	55⅝	+ 1⅜
63½	64	825	U. S. Rubber pf.	63¼	63¾	63¼	63¾	....
5	6¼	320	Wabash	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	5⅛	....
12⅞	13½	810	Wabash pf.	13	13	12⅜	13	+ ⅛
82	82¼	4,253	Western Union Tel.	80⅝	82¼	80⅝	82¼	+ 1⅝
Sales		184,646						

Complete Bond Transactions.

Am Dock & Imp 5s
5,000 114
Atch, Col & Pac 1st
5,000 ..... 25½
Atch, Top & S F Gen 4s
4,000 ..... 80⅝
19,000 ..... 80¼
11,000 ..... 80⅝
10,000 ..... 80¼
7,000 ..... 80⅝
Adjustment 4s
2,000 ..... 44½
29,000 ..... 44⅝
2,000 ..... 44⅝
2,000 ..... 44⅝
54,000 ..... 44⅞
10,000 45
Brooklyn Un Gas 5s
3,000 111
4,000 ..... 111⅛
Bklyn W & W Co 5s
1,000 95
Buffalo & Erie New
1,000 ..... 103⅜
Bur C Rap & N 1st,
Collat Trust 5s
1,000 104
Cent Ga Ry 1st 5s
5,000 113
Cent Ga Ry 2d Inc
3,500 10
2,000 ..... 10½
Cent Ga Ry 3d Inc
10,000 5
Central N J 1st Consol, 1899
1,000 107
Central of N J Gen 5s
3,000 110
Ches & Ohio Con 5s
4,000 111
Ches & Ohio Gen 4½s
10,000 ..... 73½
10,000 ..... 73⅜
19,000 ..... 73⅜
7,000 ..... 73⅝
10,000 ..... 73⅜
10,000 ..... 73⅝
6,000 ..... 73⅝
Chic, B & Q Cons 7s
8,000 118
1,000 ..... 118½
Chic, B & Q Deb 5s
2,000 ..... 100⅜
Chic, B & Q Conv 5s
1,000 ..... 100⅜
Chic, Bur & Quincy, Nebraska Ext 4s
10,000 ..... 91¼
Chic & E Ill Gen 5s
10,000 ..... 100⅜
15,000 100
Chicago & Northwestern, Coupon Gold 7s
2,000 120
Chic, R I & P Ext 5s
2,000 ..... 104⅝
2,000 ..... 104½
5,000 ..... 104⅝
Clev, C, Chic & St L, St Louis Div 4s
6,000 ..... 95½
Col, H Val & Tol 5s
1,000 ..... 71½
Colorado Midland 4s, Trust Co Certfs
3,000 10
Dul & Iron Range 1st
2,000 ..... 93½
East Tenn, Va & Ga Con 5s
1,000 ..... 109⅝
9,000 ..... 109⅝
4,000 ..... 109⅝
1,000 ..... 109½
Erie 1st Con 7s
5,000 ..... 139⅝
Evans & T H 1st
6,000 110
Fort Worth & D C 1st
3,000 57
M & Tex Cen G M 4s
1,000 60
9,000 ..... 66¾
Int & Gt N 3d Mtge
1,000 30
L S & M So Dtv Bds
22,000 107
Total sales.

Iowa Central 1st 5s
4,000 ..... 91⅞
5,000 ..... 91½
L, S & M So 1st Coup
5,000 ..... 112⅜
15,000 113
L, S & M So 1st Reg
2,000 111
L, S & M So 2d Reg
30,000 122
Lehigh & W-B Con, Assented
1,000 90
Louisville & Nashville, N O & Mob 1st
9,000 ..... 120⅝
Manhattan Ry Con 4s
7,000 ..... 91⅞
5,000 92
5,000 ..... 91½
Mich Central Cons 7s
2,000 118
Milw & St Paul, Chic & Mil Div
5,000 134
Chic & Pac Wn 6s
1,000 ..... 115½
Mil & St Paul 7s, Gold
20,000 ..... 132¼
Mil & St P G M 4s, Series A
2,000 ..... 101½
2,000 ..... 101⅜
2,000 102
10,000 ..... 101⅞
Mo, K & Tex 1st 4s
1,000 ..... 82⅞
10,000 ..... 82½
Mo, Kans & Tex 2d
5,000 57
10,000 ..... 57¼
3,000 ..... 57⅜
6,000 57
8,000 ..... 57½
3,000 ..... 57¾
5,000 ..... 57⅝
Mob & Ohio G M 4s
1,000 ..... 85½
5,000 87
Morris & Essex 1st
1,000 144
Missouri Pacific 3d
3,000 100
N Y, Chic & St L 4s
5,000 104
N Y & Harlem 1st Coup
1,000 ..... 113⅝
N Y, Ontario & West Refunding 4s
1,000 ..... 93¼
N Y, Susq & West 1st, Refunding 5s
1,000 ..... 102⅝
North Pac 1st Reg
5,000 ..... 116⅞
North Pac Gen Lien 3s
10,000 ..... 54⅜
10,000 ..... 54¼
10,000 ..... 54⅜
10,000 ..... 54⅜
10,000 ..... 54⅝
40,000 ..... 54⅞
6,000 ..... 54⅝
26,000 ..... 54½
Nor Pac Ry Pr Ln 4s
12,000 ..... 86⅞
13,000 ..... 86⅝
5,000 ..... 86⅜
50,000 ..... 86⅝
500 87
500 87
500 ..... 86⅜
Registered
6,000 ..... 85⅞
5,000 86
Nor Pac Terminal 1st
2,000 114
Ohio & M Con S F
1,000 ..... 104½
Ohio & Miss 2d
1,000 116
Oregon R & Nav 1st
4,000 114
Oregon Short Line 6s, Trust Co Certfs
3,000 ..... 115⅝
2,000 116
1,000 ..... 115⅞
Total sales.

People's G & C Chic, 1st Cons 6s
4,000 106
Peoria, Dec & Ev 1st, Evansville Div
2,000 ..... 101½
Peoria & Eastern 1st
13,000 72
Phil & Rdg Gen 4s, Trust Co Certfs, Assented
12,000 ..... 79⅞
1,000 80
1,000 ..... 80½
12,000 80
Pitts, Shen & L E 1st
1,000 ..... 100¼
Rio Grande Western 1st
13,000 ..... 72½
5,000 ..... 72¾
St L & Iron Mountain 1st Ext 5s
4,000 ..... 102¼
St L & Iron Mountain 5s
2,000 ..... 70¾
6,000 ..... 70¾
St L & San Fran 4s
3,000 ..... 68½
St L Southwest 2d Inc
15,000 ..... 20⅝
St Paul, M & M 1st, Consolidated 6s, Reduced to 4½s
10,000 ..... 106¼
10,000 106
10,000 ..... 106¼
St Paul, M & M 1st, Dakota Extension
5,000 122
San A & Ar Pass 4s
1,000 ..... 67¼
So Car & Ga 1st 5s
5,000 92
South Pac of Cal 5s, Consolidated
10,000 88
Southern Ry 1st 5s
1,000 80
2,000 ..... 80¼
3,000 ..... 80¾
Standard R & T 6s
1,000 ..... 67¾
1,000 68
1,000 ..... 68½
Tenn Coal, Iron & R, Tenn Div 6s
1,000 85
Tex & N O Cons 6s
Tex & Pac 1st 5s
10,000 ..... 95¾
3,000 88
Tex & Pac 2d Inc
5,000 ..... 19⅝
Tol, Peo & West 4s
1,000 83
Union Elevated 1st 6s
10,000 78
Union Pacific 1st '96
1,000 102
Trust Co Certfs, Ex Matured Coups
2,000 104
Union Pacific 6s, 1896, Trust Co Certfs, Ex Matured Coups
8,000 105
Union Pac Gold 6s, Col Trust Notes
36,000 ..... 101⅝
Wabash 1st 5s
11,000 104
5,000 ..... 103½
2,000 ..... 103¼
2,000 104
Wabash 2d 5s
3,000 64
Wabash Deb, Series B
1,000 19
West Shore Gtd 4s
1,000 ..... 107½
Registered
10,000 ..... 106½
7,000 ..... 106⅝
Wisconsin Cen Co 1st, Trust Receipts
10,000 88
$1,131,000

Bid and Asked Quotations.

The following were the closing quotations for Government bonds and for stocks in which there were no transactions:

	Bid.	Ask'd.		Bid.	Asked.
2s, r., 1891	96½	....	D. M. & Ft. D. pf.	50	80
4s, r., 1907	111	111½	D., S. S. & A.	2	5½
4s, c., 1907	112⅝	112⅞	D., S. S. & A. pf.	6	9
4s, r., 1925	124½	124⅝	E. E. Ill. of Bkln.	101	103
4s, c., 1925	124¼	124⅜	Erie 1st pf.	30¼	31
5s, r., 1904	114	114½	Erie 2d pf.	17¼	19¼
5s, c., 1904	114½	114⅝	Eighth Avenue	325	340
Currency 6s, 1898	104	....	Erie Tel. & Tel.	63⅞	65
Currency 6s, 1899	107	....	Ev. & T. H.	25	31
Cherokee 4s, 1898	100¼	....	Ev. & T. H. pf.	37	43
Cherokee 4s, 1899	100½	....	Flint & P. M.	9½	10½
			Flint & P. M. pf.	32	40
Adams Express	148½	150	Gt. Nor. pf.	119	123
Alt. & T. H., t. r.	76	80	G. R. & W. Deb.	25	40
Am. Coal	105	115	G. R. & W., Deb. A.	35	50
Am. T. & C.	87	90	G. B. & W. Deb. B.	4	5
Ann Arbor	9	10½	Harlem	303	310
Atlantic & Pacific		⅞	Homestake	35	40
B. & O. S. W. pf., new	1	3	Illi. Central	92	94
Bay State Gas	9½	10	Iowa Cent. pf.	22	25
Boston A. L. pf.	102	105	Jeff. & C. Coal pf.	35	....
Brunswick Co.	⅛	⅜	Joliet & Chi.	156	....
Buff., R. & P.	20	30	Kan. & Mich.	4	7
Buff., R. & P. pf.	45	66	Keokuk & D. M.	2	4
Central Pacific	8	9	K. & D. M. pf.	12	15
Chi. & Alton	162	170	Keokuk & West.	23	33
Chi. & Alton pf.	174	....	Lacledе Gas.	22	24½
Chi. & East Ill.	40	50	Laclede Gas pf.	72	78
Chi. & E. Ill. pf.	95	98	L. E. & W. pf.	62½	65
C., M. & S. P. pf.	132¼	133¾	Long Island	41	48
Chi. & N. W. pf.	154½	157½	Manh. Coal R.	105	115
Chicago G. W.	8	9	M.

IN THE REAL ESTATE FIELD

Some of the Private Sales Made Yesterday—Bidders at Auctions Apathetic.

Frederick Zittel has sold for W. W. & T. M. Hall, builders, to Charles Zoller, 349 West Eighty-seventh Street, a four-story brick dwelling, 20 by 60 by 100.8.

Frederick A. Burnham, President of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, has sold 4 East Seventy-eighth Street, a five-story brick dwelling, on lot 28 by 102.2, for about $75,000.

William Cranitch has sold to a builder for improvement 543 to 547 West Twenty-sixth Street, a plot with old buildings.

E. H. Lyons Company has sold for Patrick F. Burns, at $17,250, the four-story flat-house 45 St. Ann's Avenue, 25 by 75 by 100; also, for John Henrich, the lot on the north side of One Hundred and Forty-sixth Street, 340 feet west of Brook Avenue, 25 by 100, for $4,000.

A. L. Mordecai & Son have sold for Potter & Brother, to a builder, for improvement, the four lots on the northeast corner of Manhattan Avenue and One Hundred and Nineteenth Street, and the three lots on the north side of One Hundred and Nineteenth Street, 95 feet east of Manhattan Avenue, adjoining above.

Larkin & O'Donnel have sold to Isaac Mayer the plot on the southeast corner of Madison Avenue and One Hundredth Street, 100 by 186.9. The plot will be immediately improved by the erection of flats.

Edward R. Cohen has sold 317 East Ninth Street at less than $27,000.

Max Freund is reported to have bought five lots on One Hundred and Fourteenth Street, 100 or 125 feet west of Lenox Avenue.

Yesterday's auction sales were to a great extent failures, the bidders being more apathetic than usual. Some excitement was caused at 111 Broadway, owing to the small ideas shown by those who shared in the offers for 11 East Thirtieth Street, one of two parcels put up in partition. The highest bid obtained was $28,000, and it was so inadequate that the referee refused to entertain it, and the sale of the parcel went over for two weeks. The other one, of far less value, was disposed of for $6,775.

William Kennelly sold, in foreclosure, 16 Greene Street, a six-story iron-front store, 19 by 100 by 18.11 by 100, to Julius Buchman, for $51,750; also, 253 East Fiftieth Street, a three-story and basement brownstone front dwelling, on lot 18.6 by 100.5, to the plaintiff, the Continental Trust Company, as trustee, for $9,500; also, 325 West Sixty-ninth Street, a five-story brick tenement, on lot 25 by 100.5, to the plaintiff, the trustees of the Fund for Aged and Infirm Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New York, for $11,000.

Philip A. Smyth sold at public auction the northwest corner of Third Avenue and Eighty-first Street, 102.2 by 51.2, with frame buildings, to Hellner & Wolf and Mandelbaum & Lewine, for $62,100.

James L. Wells sold at public auction or knocked down for the account of the Port Morris Land Improvement Company, at the Real Estate Exchange, two lots on the north side of the Southern Boulevard, 75 feet east of Brook Avenue, to Ernest Hall, for $6,000; two on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Street, 75 feet east of Brook Avenue, to the same buyer, for $5,500; two on the north side of One Hundred and Thirty-fourth Street, 100 feet east of Brook Avenue, to the same buyer, for $5,600; a plot, 87.7 by 100, on the south side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Street, 100 feet east of Brook Avenue, to Charles Wahling, for $10,500, and a plot on the north side of One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Street, 100 feet east of Brook Avenue, 217.7 by 100, to the same buyer, for $18,350.

To-day's Auction Sales.

The following sales auction are down for to-day at 111 Broadway:

By Peter F. Meyer & Co., mechanic's lien, foreclosure sale, Charles W. Ridgeway, referee, 525 West Thirtieth Street, north side, 325 feet west of Tenth Avenue, 25 by 100.5, five-story brick tenement. Due on judgment, $3,166.

By William M. Ryan, partition sale, Edward L. Patterson, referee, 452 Third Avenue, west side, 25 feet north of Thirty-first Street, 22.4 by 80, three-story brick tenement, with stores.

By Richard V. Harnett & Co., foreclosure sale, Edward S. Peck, referee, 262 West Thirty-eighth Street, south side, 183.4 feet east of Eighth Avenue, 16.8 by 98.9, four-story brick building. Due on judgment, $5,666.

By Bryan L. Kennelly, foreclosure sale, 52 East One Hundred and Twenty-first Street, south side, 300 feet west of Park Avenue, 17 by 100.11, three-story and basement stone front dwelling. Due on judgment, $1,296.

THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT.

List of Plans Filed for New Structures and Alterations.

Hester Street, north side, from Orchard Street to Ludlow Street, for a five-story brick schoolhouse, 175 by 125.5; the city, owner; C. B. J. Snyder of 587 Broadway architect; cost, $130,000.

Ninetieth Street, north side, 100 feet east of Amsterdam Avenue, for four five-story brick flats, 25 by 82.10 and 25 by 83.2; Jung & Mohr of 1,161 Park Avenue, owners; Charles Stegmayer of 306 East Eighty-second Street, architect; cost, $80,000.

Hamilton Terrace, east side, 204.4 feet north of One Hundred and Forty-first Street, for nine three-story brick dwellings, 17 by 49 and 18.6 by 49; Robert Kelly of 533 West One Hundred and Forty-seventh Street, owner; William Strom of 44 Broad Street, architect; cost, $108,000.

One Hundred and Thirteenth Street, southwest corner of Fifth Avenue, for four five-story brick flats, with stores, 25 by 95 and 25 by 82; Theodore A. Cordler of 1 East One Hundred and Sixth Street, owner; John Hauser of 1,441 Third Avenue, architect; cost, $110,000.

Ford Street, south side, 125 feet west of Webster Avenue, for a two-story frame dwelling, 20.4 by 41; Thomas Murison of 1,890 Vanderbilt Avenue, owner; Charles S. Clark of 719 East One Hundred and Seventy-seventh Street, architect; cost, $4,000.

Valentine Avenue, northeast corner of Garfield Street, for a two-and-a-half-story frame dwelling, 20 by 41; Herman A. Fisher of 119 East Tenth Street, owner; George Armstrong of 2,771 Bainbridge Avenue, architect; cost, $4,000.

Tremont Avenue, south side, 93 feet east of Clinton Avenue, for a one-story frame dwelling with store, 22 by 45; G. Edouri of 154 Eighth Avenue, owner; W. C. Dickerson of One Hundred and Forty-ninth Street and Third Avenue, architect; cost, $1,500.

Columbus Avenue, east side, 25 feet north of Taylor Street, for a two-story frame dwelling, 21 by 45; Harry C. Becker of 832 Tinton Avenue, owner; W. C. Dickerson, architect; cost, $2,500.

Alterations.

No. 90 McDougal Street, to a three-story brick dwelling, with store, estate of N. Low, owner; Peter M. Coco of 534 Willis Avenue, architect; cost, $1,000.

No. 8 Ludlow Street, to a five-story brick tenement and store, Jacob Horowitz of 129 East Eighty-first Street, owner; S. Sass of 25 Chambers Street, architect; cost, $1,500.

Lexington Avenue, northwest corner of Seventy-second Street, to a six-story brick hotel; Sarah Levenson of 139 East Seventy-second Street, owner; Buchanan & Deisler of 11 East Fifty-ninth Street, architects; cost, $8,000.

Fifty-fourth Street, south side, 101.8 feet west of Broadway, to a three-story and basement brick dwelling, Francis S. Kinney of Pequannock, Morris County, owner; B. D. Dekienis, lessee, and G. Frederick Pelham of 503 Fifth Avenue, architect; cost, $560.

No. 64 Sixth Avenue, to a three-story and attic brick dwelling and store, Henry Sufke of 307 West Twenty-sixth Street, owner; H. T. Howell of 748 East One Hundred and Thirty-eighth Street, architect; cost, $500.

Boulevard, west side, 101 feet north of Seventy-ninth Street, to a one and a half-story frame store, Thomas Dimond of 128 West Thirty-third Street, owner; Thomas Bennett of 198 Fifty-third Street, Brooklyn, architect; cost, $200.

Bathgate Avenue, west side, 227 feet south of One Hundred and Eighty-third Street, to a one and a half-story frame stable, Henry Farrell of 2,255 Bathgate Avenue, owner; J. C. Robinson of 2,281 Bathgate Avenue, architect; cost, $50.

Jerome Street, south side, 200 feet east of White Plains Avenue, to a one-story frame stable, George T. Ballard, owner; R. F. Shell of William's Bridge, architect; cost, $125.

STREET OPENING MATTERS.

MEETING OF THE BOARD.—The Board of Street Opening and Improvement will meet at 11 A. M. to-day in the Mayor's office, and will give a hearing on the proposed widening of Ann Street, and will discuss such other matters as may come before it.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS.—The applications for appointment of Commissioners in the following proceedings will be made by Corporation Counsel Scott at the Special Term of the Supreme Court, to be held in Part III., on Tuesday, April 20:

In the matter of the proposed opening of Dongan Street, from Westchester Avenue to the Southern Boulevard; One Hundred and Seventy-first Street, from Amsterdam Avenue to King's Bridge Road; Avenue St. John, from Prospect Avenue to Timpon Place; East One Hundred and Seventieth Street, from the Concourse to Morris Avenue; East One Hundred and Fifty-seventh Street, from Jerome Avenue to the Concourse; East One Hundred and Sixty-eighth Street, from Boston Road to Prospect Avenue; East One Hundred and Eightieth Street, from Creston Avenue to Webster Avenue; Monroe Avenue, from Claremont Park to the Grand Boulevard; Clay Avenue, from Webster Avenue to East One Hundred and Seventy-sixth Street; East One Hundred and Eighty-fifth Street, from Vanderbilt Avenue east to Washington Avenue.

The following applications for the appointment of Commissioners will be made in the same court on April 30:

Sixth Street, between Avenues B and C, and in the matter of acquiring land bounded by Gansevoort, Hudson, Horatio, and West Fourth Streets, for school purposes.

ESTIMATES COMPLETED, (Offices of the Commissioners are at 90 and 92 West Broadway.)—In the matter of East One Hundred and Eightieth Street, from Third to Webster Avenue. Protests received until May 1. Hearings ten days thereafter. Report will be made to Supreme Court May 28. Oakley Street, from Mount Vernon Avenue to Verlo Avenue. Protests received until May 1. Ten days' hearings thereafter. Report to be submitted to the Supreme Court May 28. East One Hundred and Ninety-fifth Street, from Webster Avenue to Marion Avenue. Protests received until May 1. Ten days' hearings thereafter. Report to Supreme Court to be made on May 28. Napier Avenue, from Eastchester to Mount Vernon Avenue. Protests received until April 24. Ten days' hearings. Report to be made to the Supreme Court May 17.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS, (Office of Commissioners, 90 and 92 West Broadway.)—Emmerich Place, from Heath Avenue to King's Bridge Road, April 14, 10:30 A. M. Public park at the junction of East One Hundred and Ninety-second Street, Jerome Avenue, King's Bridge Road, and Grand Boulevard, April 13, at 11 A. M. Public place, to be bounded by East One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Street, Hall Place, and Rogers Place, April 14, 10:30 A. M. East One Hundred and Fifty-first Street, from Mott Avenue to Exterior Street; April 13 P. M. East One Hundred and Forty-seventh Street, from the Southern Boulevard to Austin Place, April 14, 10 A. M.

Recorded Real Estate Transfers.

Thursday, April 8.

31ST ST, s s, 150 ft e of 5th Av, 50x 116.4; Chauncey S. Truax, referee, to Ellen M. Hennessy 91,500
2D AV, w s, 49.4 n of 40th St, 24.8x 100; George Ott to Matthew McNamara. 1
50TH ST, 106 and 108 West; Lucy A. McKenzie; same property, demand 25,000
45TH ST, s s, 125 ft e of 11th Av, 25x 100.4; Sarah A. Tompkins and another, executors, to John W. Gibbons 8,600
CENTRAL PARK WEST, s w corner of 86th St, 125.10x100x irregular; the Metropolitan Improvement Company to George Edgar and another. 1
115TH ST, n s, 257.6 ft w of 3d Av, 12.6 x100; Catharine V. O'Meara to Margaret M. Kelly 1
107TH ST, 68 East; John B. Smith and wife to Isaac L. Smith 1
121ST ST, 444 East; Thomas Hagan and wife to Thomas Hogan 7,500
140TH ST, s s, 130 ft w of 8th Av, 105 x99.11; William H. Stanton, Jr., to Henry M. Denton 1
142ND ST, s s, 120 ft w of St. Nicholas Av, 20x99.11; Judson Smith to Helen A. Smith 1
7TH AV, s w corner of 149th St, 99.11x 175; Henry M. Denton and wife to Catharine M. Cuny 1
140TH ST, s s, 130 ft w of 8th Av, 105 x99.11; Catharine M. Carlin to William H. Stanton, Jr. 2
BOULEVARD, w s, between 107th and 108th Sts, Block 1,294, Ward 36; Clara I. Curtis to Johanna C. Samuel 100
132D ST, n s, 100 ft w of Boulevard, runs e 100 ft to Boulevard x n 74.11x w 100x s 74.11 to beg.; John D. Baker and wife to Dexter B. Horton 30,000
150TH ST, s s, 310 ft w of Amsterdam Av, 15x99.11; John G. Moore and others to Margaret M. Robinson 1
97TH ST, n s, 484 ft w of Columbus Av, 16x100.11; John B. Smith and wife to L. L. Smith 1
BRADHURST AV, e s, 50.2 ft s of 143d St, 25.2x76.2x25x73.6; Henry H. Wood and wife to Eugene C. Potter. 1
156TH ST, n s, 150 ft e of 10th Av, 25x 99.11; Charles Wagner and wife to John Donovan and wife 7,500
Audubon Av, e s, 25 ft n of 171st St, 25x 100; Anna T. Hardy to Mary M. Hardy. 1
SPENCER PLACE, n w s, Lots 250 and 251, map of amended Central Mott Haven; Hannah De La Mare to Walter W. Taylor 1
164TH ST, s s, 125.4 ft e of Morris Av, 25x88.11x25.1x90.10; Richard C. Moran to Agnes M. Moran 1
SPENCER PLACE, e s, Lots 256 to 259, map of amended Central Mott Haven; William A. Burton and wife to Annie Y. Taylor 2,800
UNION ST, n s, w ½ of Lot 42, map of North Melrose; John McCarthy to Daniel Mangan and wife 2,700
INWOOD AV, e s, 575 ft s of Wolf Place, 88.9x117.8x76.6; Ellis B. Southworth and wife to Thomas E. Ward 1
HOME ST, n s, 67 ft w of Fox St, 25x 62.11x27.4x84; Edward L. Patterson, referee, to John De Hart 400
TIEBOUT AV, w s, 100 ft s of Clark St, 25x100; David McClure, referee, to Emma Decker 3,750
TIEBOUT AV, w s, 50 ft s of Clark St, 25x100; John H. Rogan, referee, to Emma Decker 3,650
TIEBOUT AV, w s, 150 ft s of Clark St, 25x100; David McClure, referee, to Emma Decker 3,750
GRAND AV, w s, 312.8 ft n of St. James St, 75x106; Elmer A. Allen and wife to Lillian R. Lutterloh 4,000
BOSTON ROAD, s s, 223.11, e point at Woodruff St, 25x108.1x83.5x83.9; Minnie T. Wilt to Clara Hall 1
WASHINGTON AV, w s, 81.8 ft s w of 172d St, 17.10x100; William Hennings and wife to Frank Derbert 1
SOUTHERN BOULEVARD, n e corner of Bainbridge Av, 85x100x85.7x100; John A. Amundson to Max Stern. ½ part 1
WATER ST, 340 n s, 25x64; John Delahunty, referee, to Simon P. Flannery. 500
WHITE ST, 125; Elias Kempner to Agnes R. Albinger 1
WOOSTER ST, n s, 94.11 ft s of Houston St, 50x100; Elias Kempner to George A. Saward 1
BROOME ST, 436; Charles F. Naething and wife to Arthur R. Naething 100
WOOSTER ST, 199, n w s; Lewis A. Mitchell to Mitchell A. C. Levy 1
BLEECKER ST, e s, 104 ft s of Cornelia St, 20.11x100; Rosa R. Stratton to Robert Dunlop 17,500
WOOSTER ST, 199; David Boyd and wife to Lewis A. Mitchell 1
SHERIFF ST, 5; David Smolinsky to Lena Greberger 1
SULLIVAN ST, 54; James R. Vandalinda and others to Charles C. Cook 8,500
88TH ST, s s, 125 ft w of Central Park West, 25x100.8; George Edgar and others to the Metropolitan Improvement Company 1
MADISON AV, e s, 82.2 ft s of 78th St, 20x70; Chauncey S. Truax, referee, to Ellen M. Hennessy 20,100
68TH ST, n s, 125 ft e of Madison Av, 25x100.5; same, referee, to Ellen M. Hennessy 46,250
OGDEN ST, 248 East; Abner Lubelsky to Bessie Lubelsky, ½ part 1
83D ST, n s, 175 ft e of 2d Av, 25x102.2; Annie M. Grinberg and another to Esther Bonner 23,500
80TH ST, 109 East; John Livingston and wife to John J. Pfeiffer 14,750
LEXINGTON AV, e s, 37.8 ft n of 94th St, 18x95; Jacob Hecht to the H. B. Claflin Company 1
3D AV, 1,540; Louis Reiss and wife to Israel H. Davis 25,500
52D ST, n s, 90.6 ft w of 1st Av, 20x irregular; Jacob H. Denenholz to Richard Everett and another 1
SAME PROPERTY; Richard Everett to Jacob C. Denenholz 1
52D ST, 427 East; Amelia Davis to Rachel Kaplan 1
94TH ST, n s, 230 ft e of 3d Av, 45x100.8 Nellie M. Parker to Charles M. Parker. 100
3D AV, 1,540; Thomas Halpin to Louis Reiss 1
117TH ST, s s, 175 ft w of 3d Av, 25x 100.11; Caroline L. Nones to David C. Andrews and others; 117th St, s s, 150 ft w of 3d Av, 25x100.11; David C. Andrews and others to Caroline L. Nones, Q. C. 1
MADISON AV, e s, 59.11 ft n of 132d St, 20x80; Elizabeth L. Rath to Catherine J. McPaul 1
129TH ST, n s, 175 ft e of 2d Av, 14.6x 100.10; 120th St, n s, 189.6 ft e of 2d Av, 14x100.10; Caroline L. Nones to David C. Andrews and others, Q. C. 1
122D ST, s s, 119 ft e of 7th Av, as widened, 19x100.11; Byron G. Clark to Elida Clark 1
113TH ST, n s, 158.4 ft w of 8th Av, 66.8 x100.11; Francis M. Jencks and wife to Joseph Levin 23,000
146TH ST, s s, e half of Lot 204, map of village of Mott Haven, 25x100; Maria Bender to Matthew Bender 1
GRAHAM ST, e s, Lots 183 and 184, map of Downing estate; William Lahey to Mary Seiferd 1
AVENUE B, w s, 83 ft n of 5th St, 25x 105; Frank Gass and wife to Andrew J. Belhoefer 500
LOT 67, Block B, map of property of Hudson P. Rose, Mapes estate; Clara Hall to Minnie T. Welt 1
WHITE PLAINS AV, w s, n part of Lot 146, map No. 1, Olinville; Mary A. Carroll to Hester A. Hunt 1,789

Recorded Leases.

FRASER, Mary, and others to Bernhard Ziemer; 60 Beekman St, 5 years $2,200
BRAUN, Charles, to Louis Hauser; 487 1st Av, store, 3 years 660
KATZENSTEIN, Simon, as agent, to Gustav Braig; 630 East 5th St, store, &c., 2 years 510
CHRISTMAN, Charles, to Ed Paulat; 432 East 18th St, 2 years 570
HIRSCH, Jacob, to Kate Dehnhoff; 46 West 29th St, 5 years 1,500
GAFFNEY, Richard, to Carl W. Blomquest, 2,612 3d Av, 5 years 364, 900
KLEIN, Magdalena, to Josephine Puel; 901 1st Av, 5 years 960
McCARTHY, John, to John J. Breitall, 5th Av, n w corner of 113th St, 5.1-6 years 1,500

Recorded Mortgages.

ALBINGER, Agnes R., to Elias Kempner; 125 White St, 7 months $18,000
ALBINGER, Agnes R., and Frank E., to same; same property, demand 22,000
ANSEL, Margaret E., to Henry C. Shannon, as trustee, &c., e s of Washington Av, part of Lot 34, map of Village of Morrisania, 3 years 3,500
BRIGGS, George W. M., and wife to Laura P. Pendleton and another, executors, &c., of George H. Pendleton; n s of 113th St, 140 ft w of 3d Av, 3 years 3,000
COHEN, Samuel, and wife to the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States; 58 East 123d St, 1 yr 9,000
CIRRITO, Vincent, and others to David E. Oppenheimer; s s of 106th St, 104.4 ft e of Columbus Av, 1 year 42,500
CARLIN, Catharine M., to Henry M. Denton; s w corner of 140th St and 7th Av, 1 year 8,700
SAME to Edmund Coffin; s w corner of 140th St and 7th Av, demand 2,500
SAME to Edward F. Keating, as trustee; s s of 140th St, 100 ft w of 8th Av, 1 year 3,475
CONNOR, Mary F., to Julia Jahn; e s of Intervale Av, 90 ft s of 167th St, 9 months 1,000
CHATTERTON, Lillian R., and husband to Elmer A. Allen; w s of Grand Av, 312.8 ft n of St. James St, installments 3,500
DUNLOP, Robert, and wife to Sarah Y. Benson; e of Bleecker St, 104.7 ft s of Cornelia St, also lot adjoining, 3 years 12,000
SAME to Frederic J. Middlebrook; same property, 1 year 1,000
DI MARTIA, John, and wife to J. and M. Haffen; Lots 2 and 16, map of New Village of Jerome, 24th Ward, 1 year 5,500
DONOVAN, John and Kate, to Alfred G. Hoe; n s of 156th St, 150 ft e of Amsterdam Av, 2 years 5,000
EDGAR, George and Theodore Killian to the Metropolitan Improvement Company; s w corner of Central Park West and 88th St, 1 year 27,500
FINKE, August, and wife to the New York Life Insurance and Trust Company; 62 Macdougal St, 3 years 15,000
FLANNERY, Simon P., and wife to Robert F. Tysen; 340 Water St, 6 months 1,500
GIBBONS, John W., to Sarah A. Tompkins and another, executrix, &c., of Elias S. Tompkins, deceased; s s of 45th St, 125 ft e of 11th Av, 2 years 4,500
HENNESSY, Ellen M., to the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States; n s of 169th St, 125 ft e of Madison Av, 3 years 30,000
SAME to same; same property 48,000
HAYUNGA, George A., and wife to Elizabeth G. Dunham; s s of 9th St, 124.8 ft e of Columbus Av, 3 years 9,000
SAME to Mary A. Wells; same property, 3 years 6,000
HENNESSY, Ellen M., to the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States; s s of 31st St, 150 ft e of 5th Av, 2 years 60,000
HYMAN, Gerson, and wife to Joseph L. Buttenwieser; 239 West 15th St, demand. 15,000
HOWARD, Ann C., to Title Guarantee and Trust Company; 94 Grand St, 3 years. 15,000
HERZ, Ludwig, and wife to Frederick W. Pitcher; n corner of 3d Av and 146th St, 1 year 2,000
HALLIDAY, Mary E. and Charles V., to Henry Denmead; s e corner of 175th St and Franklin Av; s s of 175th St, 91 ft e of Franklin Av., and an interior lot, 100 ft s of 175th St, and 120.11 ft e of Franklin Av; 3 years 2,500
HUNT, Hester A., to Mary A. Ferris; w s of White Plains Av, n 87½ ft of Lot 146, map of Olinville No. 1, 3 years. 1,000
SAME to Edward Brennan; same property, 1 month 850
SAME to same; same property, demand. 1
KUPER, Charles P., and wife to the New York Savings Bank; n s of 22d St, 223.6 ft e of 9th Av, 1 year 8,500
KRONER, Abraham, and wife to Solomon Hirschsohn; n s of 99th St, 84.2 ft w of Amsterdam Av, 4 months 450
LEVIN, Joseph, to Francis M. Jencks; n s of 111th St, 153.4 ft w of 8th Av, demand 21,500
SAME to same; same property, demand. 36,500
McPAUL, Catharine J. C., to John N. Hayward and others, executors, &c., of John N. Hayward, deceased; e of Madison Av, 59.11 ft n of 132d St, 5 years. 5,000
McWALTERS, Mary, to Augustus F. Holly; 544 West 44th St, 4 months 11,000
McNAMARA, Matthew J., and wife to the Seamen's Bank for Savings of New York; 741 2d Av, 5 years 10,000
MITCHELL, Lewis A., to David Boyd; 109 Wooster St, 1 year 4,550
NONES, Caroline L., to Elizabeth M. Anderson; s s of 117th St, 150 ft w of 3d Av, 3 years 8,000
NONES, Alexander, and others to same; s s of 117th St, 175 ft w of 3d Av, 3 years 7,000
O'BRIEN, Margaret, to Herman Raabe; n s of 149th St, 650 ft e of Amsterdam Av, 2 years 2,500
O'GORMAN, William, and wife to the German-American Real Estate Title Guarantee Company; s s of 142d St, 816.8 ft e of Willis Av, 3 years 4,000
O'GORMAN, William, and wife to the German-American Real Estate Title Guarantee Company; s s of 142d St, 816.8 ft e of Willis Av, 8 years 4,000
SAME to same; s s of 142d St, 600, 230, 866.8, 850, 583.4, and 275 ft e of Willis Av, (six mortgages,) 3 years 24,000
O'CONNOR, David, and wife to Sarah H. Powell; s s of 186th St, 100 ft w of Willis Av, 5 years 18,000
PICKEN, William H., and wife to the Germania Life Insurance Company; s s of 98th St, 119 ft w of West End Av, and six adjoining lots, (seven mortgages,) 4 years 96,000
ROBINSON, Margaret M., to John G. Moore and Samuel J. Ashley; s s of 150th St, 310 ft w of Amsterdam Av, 3 years. 8,500
REINIG, Jacob, and wife to Minnie Helntz; n e corner of Intervale Av and Westchester Av, 1 year 1,000
SCHAFFNER, Charles E., to Edward Y. Loew; 883 10th Av, lease, 2 years. 1,500
SAWARD, George A., to Elias Kempner; s w of Oyster St, 94.11 ft s of Houston St, demand 88,000
SAME to same; same property, 1 year. 47,000
STUCKHARDT, Henry L., and wife to Caroline Faar; w s of Intervale Av, 80.6 ft n of 167th St, 3 years 300
STANTON, William H., Jr., to Edmund Coffin; s s of 140th St, 130 ft w of 8th Av (seven mortgages,) 1 year. 14,000
TRIMMER, Catharine, and Margaret Dowling, to Walter Lindner; 57 West 82d St, 3 years 22,000
SAME to same; 57 West 82d St, 1 year. 1,000
UNTERBERG, Bella, and Israel Epstein and wife to Edwin Erwin; 148 and 150 Rivington St, installments 4,000
ZIMMERMANN, Peter, to the East River Savings Institution; 158 East 83d St, 1 year 7,000

Assignments of Mortgages.

BURTON, Edward V., to Annie V. Taylor, assignment ..... Nominal
COUTER, James L., to Dwight S. Herrick, as trustee 12,000
DYCKMAN, Isaac M., as trustee of Hannah Dyckman, to James C. Couter. 12,000
DECKER, Kate B. to Mary J. McCormack. 1,500
DONEGAN, Alexander, to J. E. Leaycraft ..... Nominal
FINN, Catherine, administratrix, &c., of Edward Finn, to Charles P. White. 2,000
FOX, Richard K., to Title Guarantee and Trust Company 40,000
HEWLETT, William H., to Libbie N. Lyon 4,503
LEAYCRAFT, J. Edgar, to Curtis J. Beard ..... Nominal
MIDDLEBROOK, Frederic J., to John M. Bowers, executor of Franklin Osgood. 14,161
SMITH, Robert, executor of Elizabeth Smith, to Robert Smith, as guardian of Elizabeth Smith 1,000
SOUTHWORTH, Ellis B., to Thomas E. Wales ..... Nominal
STEUERNAGEL, John, to Maria Steuernagel 4,000
SICKLES, Charles R., to Jacob I. Housman 1
TITLE GUARANTEE AND TRUST COMPANY to De Lancey Nicoll and others, as trustees for Josephine Y. Birney 20,000
SAME to Maria B. and Sophia M. Nichols, as guardians of Jesse B. Nichols 10,000
SAME to S. Ward Doubleday, as trustee. 15,000
SAME to Maria B. and Sophia M. Nichols, as guardians of Jesse B. Nichols 12,000
THE METROPOLITAN IMPROVEMENT Company to Francis M. Jencks ..... Nominal
TOMPKINS, Sarah A. and George W., executors of Elias S. Tompkins, to Sarah A. Tompkins 4,500
WESTCHESTER FIRE INSURANCE Company to Mary A. Ferris 2,500

Lis Pendens.

71ST ST, n s, 313 ft e of 1st Av, 25x102.2; Elias N. Hall against Caroline Ablass and others, (to foreclose mortgage.)
66TH ST, s s, 100 ft e of Columbus Av, 225x 100.5; William H. Quick against the St. Nicholas Skating and Ice Company, (to foreclose mechanic's lien.)
2D AV, w s, 25.8 ft s of 101st St, 25x90; Marie Geyer against Albin Wibom and others, (to foreclose mortgage.)
COURTLANDT AV, s e corner of 160th St, 75x 100; William Eckel against Herman Eckel and others, (for a partition.)
165TH ST, n e corner of Fox St, 29x96.7x19.2x 98.2; Hugh Kirk and John Graham against Emma Mechmann and Diederick Sakariasen, (to foreclose mechanic's lien.)
3D AV, w s, 25.11 ft s of 98th St, 25x100; R. Temple G. Fitzpatrick against Max Barnett and others, (to foreclose mortgage.)
FRONT ST, 94; 91 St to 87; East Houston St, 180; Mary W. Gribble against Alfred Wagstaff and others, (for a partition.)
ROGERS PLACE, w s, 649.10 ft n of Westchester Av, 14x86.8 irregular; the Mount Morris Co-operative Building and Loan Association against James G. Patton and others, (to foreclose mortgage.)
119TH ST, 588 East; Florence G. Joseph against Lena Rubin, (to foreclose mortgage.)
CANNON ST, 11 and 13; Andrew Brose against John Albert, (to foreclose mortgage.)
88TH ST, s s, 410 ft e of 9th Av, 23x100.8; the Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States against Annie W. Gleason and others, (to foreclose mortgage.)
BARKER AV, e s, 268.8 ft n of Elizabeth St, 58.4x125; Frederick Ryer, Jr., against Lana M. Parsons, (to foreclose mortgage.)
168TH ST, n s, 130 ft w of Tinton Av, 25x158; Henry J. Salzman and another against James Horan and wife, (to foreclose mortgage.)
166TH ST, 513 and 515 West; Peter J. Kiernan against Christian Uren, (to enforce lien.)
BROOK AV, n w s, 88.2 ft n of North 3d Av, 82.6x98.4x71.11x88.9; Petty, Soulard & Walker Realty Company against Giacomo Picciotta and others, (to foreclose mortgage.)

Mechanics' Liens.

165TH ST, 687 or 607, n s, 235.2 ft e of Vanderbilt Av, 25x100; Patrick Jr. O'Neil against Bertha Hegels, owner; John Marx, contractor $29
LEXINGTON AV, 1,621-1,627; Friedman & Nevins against Harris Fordinsky, owner and contractor 350
BROADWAY, 708; A. A. Griffing Iron Company against Ferdinand H. Meis, owners; Thomas Hayes, contractor 712
MANHATTAN AV, e s, whole front from 103d to 104th St, 200x100; Henry W. Richardson against James A. Kelly, owner; Robert Dick, owner and contractor 2,328
WEBSTER AV, e s, 425 ft s of 171st St, 50x100; the Skelly Tile and Grate Company against Peter Friest, owner; Louis Kayser or Kayser or Kaiser, contractor. 193
WEBSTER AV, e s, 209.5 ft n of 173d St, 50x100; same against Louis G. Friess or Louise E. F. Friess, owner; Edward A. Reynolds, contractor 196
ALDEN PLACE, s e corner of Webster Av, 100.9x50; Frank Padula against Catherine E. Hart, owner and contractor. 598
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FEDERAL COURTS.

United States Supreme Court.

No. 279—Eliosa L. Bergere as appellant vs. the United States et al. and No. 280—the United States, appellant, vs. Eliosa L. Bergere, &c.—Substituted for No. 272 in the call on motion of Matt G. Reynolds for the United States.

No. 288—The Western Union Telegraph Company, plaintiff in error, vs. the State of North Carolina ex rel. Richard Dillard, Commissioners et al.—In error to the Supreme Court of North Carolina.—Dismissed with costs on motion of J. Hubley Ashton for the plaintiff in error.

No. 289—The Western Union Telegraph Company plaintiff in error, vs. Kemp.—In error to the Supreme Court of the State of Nebraska.—Dismissed with costs on motion of J. Hubley Ashton for the plaintiff in error.

No. 265—The Enterprise Mining Company, appellant, vs. the Rico-Aspen Consolidated Mining Co., et al.—Argument continued by Charles H. Toll and Joel E. Valle, for the appellant, and concluded for by E. S. Morrison for the appellees.

No. 270—Lewis E. Parson, Jr., appellant vs. the United States.—Argument commenced by J. A. W. Smith for the appellants and continued by Assistant Attorney General Dodge for the appellee.

Call for to-day: Nos. 270, 271, 279, (and 299,) 273, 276, 278, 280, 202, 203, and 281, (and 274.)

Calendar for Friday, April 9.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—Wallace, Lacombe, and Shipman, JJ.—Jury calendar. Calendar called by Lacombe, J. in Room 122 Post Office Building at 11 A. M.

9—Hannon vs. Forty-second Street, Manhattanville and St. Nicholas Avenue Railroad. 24—Connor vs. F. Franklyn Friedman. 25—Connor vs. Williamson. 26—Connor vs. Friedman. 33—Clayton vs. Texas and Pacific Railroad Company. 34—Forward vs. same. 71—Crossman vs. same. 74—Morrill, Edgar Cure Company vs. Mail and Express Publishing Company. 80—Chayes vs. Metropolitan Street Railway Company. 106—Lord vs. Steel. 109—McGill vs. Holmes, Booth & Hayden. 115—McGill vs. Holmes, Booth & Hayden. 117—Monloco vs. Union Railway Company. 118—Clampit vs. Third Avenue Railroad Company. 123—Elletts vs. Third Avenue Railroad Company. 124—Werner School Book Company vs. Middlebrook. 13—Browne vs. Grace. 4—Jacobus vs. United States. 126—Bradley vs. Bryan. 127—Gormully & Co. vs. Schaap. 128—Citizens' Bank vs. Whitman. 129—Cobb vs. Cunningham Manufacturing Company. 130—George F. Blake Manufacturing Company vs. Boisn.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT—Lacombe, J.—Opens in Room 122 Post Office Building at 2 P. M. Motion calendar. Adjourned cases.

1—Horst vs. Horst Matthew Brook. 2—Bank of the Seamen's Bank for Savings of New York; 741 2d Av, 5 years 10,000
MITCHELL, Lewis A., to David Boyd; 109 Wooster St, 1 year 4,550
NONES, Caroline L., to Elizabeth M. Anderson; s s of 117th St, 150 ft w of 3d Av, 3 years 8,000
NONES, Alexander, and others to same; s s of 117th St, 175 ft w of 3d Av, 3 years 7,000
O'BRIEN, Margaret, to Herman Raabe; n s of 149th St, 650 ft e of Amsterdam Av, 2 years 2,500
O'GORMAN, William, and wife to the German-American Real Estate Title Guarantee Company; s s of 142d St, 816.8 ft e of Willis Av,

BUSINESS TROUBLES.

New York City.

MARK NATHAN.—Schedules of Mark Nathan, shoe dealer at 1,378 Third Avenue, show liabilities, $9,233; nominal assets, $6,744; actual assets, $2,954.

JULIUS T. RODE.—Schedules of Julius T. Rode, dealer in furniture, at 737 Ninth Avenue, show liabilities of $8,625; nominal assets, $11,531; actual assets, $6,123.

W. LUPOVITZ.—Judge Pryor of the Supreme Court has appointed William M. Lawrence, receiver, in the suit brought by Adolph Prince, a creditor, against Mr. Lupovitz and his wife, Jette, to set aside the assignment of a lease of 82 Delancey Street, where Mr. Lupovitz had a liquor saloon, and who leased the entire building. Mr. Lupovitz sold the lease and business to his wife on Dec. 1 for an alleged debt of $700, and she sold the store to Jacob Goldstein on Feb. 18.

L. SIMONS & SON.—Judgment for $4,830 was entered yesterday against L. Simons & Son, cigar manufacturers, of 1,397 and 1,399 Avenue A, by Einstein & Townsend, in favor of Julius Beer, doing business as Weil & Co., for the amount due on a note of the first-named firm. The partners are Leopold and Malvin Simons, and they have been in business at the above address since October, 1895. It is said they gave a bill of sale a few weeks ago, and owe creditors over $40,000.

SHAW & HARPER.—Truman A. Shaw and Harry Harper, composing the firm of Shaw & Harper, dealers in paints and painters' supplies, at 2,625 Third Avenue, Mott Haven, made an assignment yesterday to Charles E. Meek. Mr. Shaw started the business in 1886, and Mr. Harper became a partner in September, 1892. The former resides at White Plains, and a branch store was opened there in 1890 and has continued since. Mr. Shaw is an inventor of a patent barrel and package head.

J. H. JOHNSTON & CO.—Schedules of J. H. Johnston & Co., dealers in jewelry, diamonds, and watches, at 17 Union Square, show liabilities, $241,349; nominal assets, $240,983; actual assets, $175,151, consisting of stock, $134,826; diamonds, pledged, $18,-858; amounts due for merchandise, $17,407; insurance paid up, $1,829; cash, $1,421; bills receivable, $426; due for repairs, $393. The schedules make a book of over 400 pages. Among the creditors are Leonora Ricard, $15,600; John A. Ricard, $7,000; Enos Richardson & Co., $10,938; F. T. Van Beuren, $10,607; Frank E. Blackwell, $10,000; Towle Manufacturing Company, $10,297; James A. Brown, $7,720; John H. Johnston, $6,000; Victoria Raymond, $6,116; La Pierre Manufacturing Company, $5,406; Alvin Manufacturing Company, $5,000; Gorham Manufacturing Company, $5,000; Union Square Bank, $5,000.

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ.—William Schwartz, cloak manufacturer at 535 Broome Street, closed the doors of his place of business on April 6, and has not reopened. Creditors have received a notice from his attorney proposing a compromise of 50 cents on the dollar, half cash and the balance in notes at six and twelve months. His liabilities are stated to be $12,000. Blumenstell & Hirsch yesterday obtained an attachment against him for $351. The Sheriff found the doors locked and could not get in, so a keeper was placed outside to watch that nothing was removed. Mr. Schwartz was for ten years a cloakmaker for the trade, with a shop on the Bowery, and started the present business on May 1, 1894. A year ago he claimed a capital of $14,000. He claimed to own fourteen lots in the Twenty-sixth Ward valued at $15,000, mortgaged for $5,000.

Out of Town.

COPLAY IRON COMPANY.—Proceedings have been instituted at Allentown, Penn., to foreclose the mortgage on the Coplay Iron Company. The mortgage is for $200,000, and was given Jan. 5, 1878, when the company was konwn as the Lehigh Valley Iron Company.

TRENTON RUBBER COMPANY.—Vice Chancellor Reed yesterday appointed ex-Vice Chancellor John T. Bird temporary receiver for the Trenton Rubber Company and named April 20 as the date for the company to show cause why the appointment of the receiver should not be made permanent. Application for the receiver is made by Sarah J. Magowan, mother of Frank A. Magowan, President of the company. She claims that the company is indebted to her to the extent of $54,000, principally for money advanced.

Judgments.

Thursday, April 8.

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McCOY, SINCLAIR.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against SINCLAIR McCOY, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same with vouchers thereof to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of Christian Zabriskie, No. 393 Canal Street, in the City of New York, on or before the eighth day of October next.—Dated New York, the 25th day of March, 1897. CHRISTIAN ZABRISKIE, Administrator. CHRISTIAN ZABRISKIE, Attorney for Administrator, 393 Canal Street, New York. mh26-law6mF

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RIDDLE, JOHN.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New-York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JOHN RIDDLE, late of the City of New-York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of Christian Zabriskie, No. 393 Canal Street, in the City of New-York, on or before the twenty-ninth day of May next.—Dated New-York, the 19th day of November, 1896. MARY A. RIDDLE, Administratrix; PHILIP H. ABBOTT, FREDERICK H. CLARK, Administrators. CHRISTIAN ZABRISKIE, Attorney, 393 Canal Street, New-York. n20-law6mF

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WHITE, MARGARET A.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against MARGARET A. WHITE, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of John McMahon, No. 186 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 28th day of June next.—Dated New York, the 10th day of December, 1896. JOHN WHITE, Administrator. JOHN McMAHON, Attorney for Administrator, 186 Broadway, N. Y. City. d11-law6mF

WORMAN, EMMA P.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against EMMA P. WORMAN, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, at the office of John R. Abney, Esq., No. 2 Wall Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 1st day of September next.—Dated New York, the 17th day of February, 1897. JAMES H. WORMAN, Administrator. JOHN R. ABNEY, Esq., Atty. for Administrator, 2 Wall Street, New York City. f19-law6mF

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Judge McMahon Calls Him a "Fitting Instrument of Some Men in High Authority."

ECHO OF THE SHEEHAN TRIAL.

Conviction and Recommendation to Mercy of the Negro "Stool Pigeon" Who Testified in That Case—What Commissioners Roosevelt and Parker Say.

Charles J. Treadway, the young negro who has been on trial for several days for perjury, was convicted yesterday by a jury in Part II. of the Court of General Sessions.

The perjury for which Treadway was convicted was committed during the recent trial of Police Captain Sheehan before the Police Commissioners on the charge of having permitted policy gambling in numerous places in his precinct. Treadway, who had acted as a "stool pigeon" for policemen who secured the alleged evidence against Capt. Sheehan, swore at the trial of the Captain that he had bought policy slips in a number of places in Eighth and Ninth Avenues, in the vicinity of Fifty-third Street. The testimony of the owners of several of the places, corroborated by employes and others, who denied that policy slips were sold in the places, was the evidence on which yesterday's verdict was found. With the verdict the jury made a recommendation of mercy. When Judge McMahon heard the verdict he said to the jury:

"I fully concur in your verdict, and as to your recommendation for mercy, I shall simply say to you that it never was in my mind to deal with this defendant except with the greatest leniency. He was placed in an unfortunate position by being, at the time of his arrest on this charge, at liberty under a suspension of sentence for an offense that did not necessarily imply moral turpitude, and he was a fitting instrument of the schemes of men in high authority, and—well, if it had not been for that unfortunate suspended sentence, he would not be, perhaps, in the position he is in to-day. Therefore, I again say I fully agree with your recommendation of mercy."

Treadway was then remanded until Monday for sentence. The suspended sentence to which Judge McMahon referred was for an assault made by Treadway with a knife on a young man with whom he was fighting. He was convicted of the assault a year ago, and sentence was suspended.

When a copy of the Court's remarks, speaking of Treadway as a "fitting instrument of the schemes of men in high authority," was shown to President Roosevelt of the Police Board, he said:

"After it became evident that the charges against Sheehan were unwarranted and that the witnesses against him had perjured themselves, I introduced a resolution putting on trial Patrolman Waters, whom Chief Conlin had detailed to Commissioner Parker's office for the purpose of getting evidence against Capt. Sheehan. I said at the time that whether or not a further charge of conspiracy would be made would depend upon the developments in the trial. I have nothing further to say at present."

Police Commissioner Parker, at whose instance, it is said, the evidence against Capt. Sheehan was procured, had this to say about Judge McMahon's remarks:

"The Chief of Police, in the performance of his duty, made a complaint against Capt. Sheehan, thus doing his best to keep that precinct clean. He knew well that certain Commissioners, instead of wishing him well, were anxious to discredit and disgrace him on the slightest grounds. The evidence upon which he based his charges was laid before every Commissioner, long examined by them, and Capt. Sheehan's trial thereon was unanimously approved by them.

"This approval was either based upon an examination of evidence—in which case it was a declaration that the evidence was sufficient—or it was merely a perfunctory approval, in which case the Commissioners who so approved did not perform their duty. I have not replied to the many insinuations of the foolish people who have imagined that I had some special interest in Sheehan's prosecution. If I ever consider that any statement is necessary or called for in the future, I shall make it.

"I do not know what Judge McMahon refers to by his general statement, but if he has been lured away by whisperings to utter from the bench an insinuation which is unfounded and uncalled for, it will no doubt come back to him with interest, as such things always do, according to my observation."

DINSMORE HOUSE ON FIRE.

Flames Started While the Women of the Family Were Entertaining —Fire's Origin a Mystery.

Mrs. W. B. Dinsmore of 7 East Forty-Seventh Street and her daughter were entertaining at luncheon yesterday when the house suddenly filled with smoke that appeared to come from one of the servant's rooms on the top floor. No flame was visible, but the smoke came out in such volume from the floors and walls that it was evident there was serious trouble somewhere. Among the guests in the house at the time were Mrs. J. Harsen Rhoades, Jr., and Miss Whitman. Mr. Dinsmore, who is Secretary of the Adams Express Company, was out of town.

Miss Dinsmore hurried to Fifth Avenue and Forty-seventh Street, where somebody sent in an alarm for her. The firemen discovered that the fire had broken out between floors, but the origin of it was a mystery. There were no gaspipes or heating pipes in the part of the house where it seemed to have the greatest headway. The fire itself did very little damage, but the injury to the roof and the floors, and the drenching of furniture by water, will make the loss about $1,000, and necessitates another home for the Dinsmores until repairs can be made.

DINNER OF THE CREDIT MEN.

Association Will Meet About the Banquet Board on April 22.

The recent accessions to the ranks of the New York Credit Men's Association have been so large that it has been considered advisable by the officers and the Executive Committee to devise some other means than the annual meeting by which members and credit men can become better acquainted with each other and also with the objects of the association. It has been decided that such an opportunity can best be afforded by a dinner, which will be held at the St. Denis Hotel April 22.

Invitations to the dinner have been extended to city and Government officials, prominent lawyers and merchants. Distinguished speakers will present the importance and aims of the association. It is expected that this will be one of the largest gatherings of credit men ever held in New York City.

DECISION ON THE CHARTER.

Mayor Strong Sends Back the Document to Albany.

Mayor Strong sent the Greater New York Charter bill back to Albany yesterday afternoon. The general belief is that the charter goes back with the Mayor's signature affixed, but with a memorandum stating how it could be improved by amendments. Secretary Hedges took the bill to Albany on one of the early evening trains.

The Mayor and his clerks were closemouthed about the decision. The Mayor says that the information as to his decision must come from Albany.

To Organize National Democrats.

The Committee of Fifteen appointed at the conference of Democrats in the Hoffman House on Dec. 3 last will make its report on Monday evening next to a meeting which has been called in Cooper Union to receive and take action upon it. The resolution under which the committee was appointed required them to co-operate with the State Committee of the National Democratic Party, representing New York City, in the preparation of a plan of organization for the party in this city.

BIERSTADT LIBRARY SALE.

ABOUT 1,400 VOLUMES SO FAR DISPOSED OF.

The First Half of the Sale Completed and About $8,000 Realized—Good Demand for Lockers, Langs, and Longfellows.

The sale of the first half of the library of the late Edward Hale Bierstadt by Bangs & Co., auctioneers, 91 Fifth Avenue, was concluded yesterday. Nearly 1,400 volumes were disposed of during the four days of the auction, realizing in round figures about $8,000.

Those present at yesterday's sale showed considerable eagerness at the offerings of Lockers. The Langs, mostly all first editions, brought out spirited bidding. The Longfellows were also much sought after. Following are some of the principal sales made:

Holmes's "John Lothrop Motley," Boston, 1849, to George D. Smith for $10.

Howell's "Epistolae, Ho Elianae," first edition, London, 1645, to George D. Smith for $12.50.

Hubert's "Edward II.," a copy of the first surreptitious edition, London, 1628, to Charles Scribner's Sons for $20.

Hubert's "Historie of Edward the Second, Surnamed Carnarven," first authentic edition, from Hamilton Palace, London, 1629, to Charles Scribner's Sons for $29.

King James's "Instructions to His Sonne Henry, the Prince," London, 1603, to George D. Smith for $20.

Johnson's "Irene," first edition, London, 1749, to W. H. Magan for $14.

Johnson's "Characters of Two Royall Masques, the one of Blacknesse, the other of Beautee, personated by * * * Anne, Queene of Great Britaine," &c., first edition, London, 1608, very scarce, to Dodd, Mead & Co. for $115.

Jonson's "Workes," first edition, London, 1616, to George D. Smith for $13.

King's "Poems," first edition, London, 1657, sold to Dodd, Mead & Co. for $21.

Landor's "Imaginary Conversations," &c., first editions, London, 1824 and 1829, bought by "Bristol" for $31 and $17, respectively.

Lang's "Ballads and Lyrics of Old France," first edition, London, 1872, to "Bristol" for $27.

Lang's "Ballades in Blue China," first edition, London, 1880, to Dodd, Mead & Co. for $12.50.

Lang's "Helen of Troy," first edition, London, 1882, to J. O. Wright & Co. for $12.

Locker's "London Lyrics," first edition, London, 1857, presentation copy from author, to George D. Smith for $30.

Locker's "Rowfant Rhymes," a publication in capital letters by the Rowfant Club of Cleveland, 1895, to Charles Scribner's Sons for $17.

Longfellow's Poems, fourteen of his earliest, Boston, 1826, to Dodd, Mead & Co. for $33.

Longfellow's "Novelas Espanolas," Brunswick, 1830, to Dodd, Mead & Co. for $10.

Longfellow's "Manuel de Proverbes Dramatique," Portland, 1830, to George D. Smith for $10.50.

Longfellow's Translation of "Don Jorge Manrique," Boston, 1833, first edition, to Dodd, Mead & Co. for $10.

Longfellow's "Voices of the Night," first edition, Cambridge, 1839, to Charles Scribner's Sons for $18.

Longfellow's "Comedy of Dante," 3 volumes, first edition, Boston, 1867, to Charles Scribner's Sons for $14.25.

The second half of this library will be sold in a fortnight.

CITY MONEY DISTRIBUTED.

Heads of Several Departments Secure Funds with Which to Carry on Their Work.

The Board of Estimate and Apportionment met in the Mayor's office yesterday, and President Wilson of the Health Department made application for an appropriation of $3,750 to pay fifteen additional Medical Inspectors for ten weeks for the purpose of preventing contagious diseases. The application was allowed. The board received a request for an issue of bonds to the amount of $430,000 for the new city prison on the site of the Tombs. In reference to this the Chief Engineer of the Finance Department sent a communication to the effect that the whole building could not be put up until the Legislature appropriated more money. The application was then referred to the Corporation Counsel for an opinion as to how much of the work the board could authorize.

An appropriation of $7,000 for the improvement of the triangular park on the Bowery front of the Cooper Institute was asked for and laid over. Col. Waring secured $20,000 with which to construct two additional steel pocket dumps. One is to be located at the foot of West One Hundred and Thirty-first Street, and the other at Pier 43 North River. The board gave Col. Waring permission to buy 150 horses at a cost not exceeding $21,750.

The board allowed $85,979 for an annex to Grammar School No. 13, at East Houston and Essex Streets; $21,970 for additions and repairs to Grammar School No. 31, at 261 Second Street; $253,942 for the new school on Rivington Street, between Forsyth and Eldridge Streets, and $16,000 for a site adjoining Grammar School No. 61, on West Forty-fifth Street.

Police Justice Joseph Koch's claim for $3,714 for defending his office as Police Justice was not allowed. The board distributed $50,000 in excise money among the charitable institutions.

NEW SWINDLING SCHEME.

Dressmakers and Milliners in Small Towns the Victims.

Letters to the New York Post Office from various milliners and dressmakers reveal a swindling scheme that has been extensively practiced in Pennsylvania and Wisconsin and the Central States. The swindler introduces himself to some dressmaker as the representative of a dress-pattern house and the agent of certain fashion papers. He offers the local agency of the pattern house to his intended victim at a 50 per cent. commission, provided that she will subscribe in cash for his papers. Neither the papers nor the patterns reach the subscriber.

The most recently developed case is that of a milliner at Shippensburg, Penn., who complains by letter to the Post Office in New York that she paid $4.80 as subscription for three fashion papers to a man calling himself the agent of the International Fashion Company, corner of University Place and Thirteenth Street, New York. There is no such company at the address given.

SNAKE CHARMER MAY DIE.

Has Taken Nearly Two Gallons of Whisky to Counteract Poison.

Babee Sukhi, the Hindu snake charmer who was bitten in the arm by one of his pets Wednesday evening, was in a serious condition last night. His physician, Dr. J. B. Acken of 235 West Forty-third Street, considered the chances of his recovery very slim. The Hindu delayed too long in sending for a physician.

A friend of Sukhi's spent the entire day without success in trying to get somebody to take the snakes out of the boarding house. Sukhi was sufficiently conscious most of the time to know that they were going to be taken from him; and he seemed to feel very bad over it. He drank whisky steadily, and felt assured that it would pull him around all right. He nearly finished his second gallon within twenty-four hours, and it did not have an intoxicating effect. Last evening the Hindu was taken with extreme nausea and was unable to retain his medicine. This was looked upon as a dangerous sign.

Levy's Assailant Held.

Guy Roache, who shot Benjamin Levy in the saloon at Sixth Avenue and Twenty-ninth Street last Wednesday night, was held in $2,000 in Jefferson Market Court yesterday to await the result of his victim's injuries. He said in court that Levy had threatened to shoot him on sight, and he shot disable him. Levy is in St. Vincent's Hospital. The doctors say his hurts are not fatal.

Irish Emigrant Society.

At the annual meeting of the Irish Emigrant Society, held yesterday, the following officers were elected: President—James Rorke; First Vice President—Robert J. Hoguet; Second Vice President—James McMahon; Third Vice President—James G. Johnson; Treasurer—Joseph A. Kernan; Secretary—H. J. Jackson.

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IDEA OUTLINED A YEAR AGO.

State Board of Regents Yesterday Authorized the Change—Chancellor MacCracken Pleased at Consummation of the Plan.

At a special meeting of the State Board of Regents held in Albany yesterday the consolidation of the Bellevue Hospital Medical College and the New York University Medical College was authorized by a unanimous vote. The name of the consolidated college will be the New York University-Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and it will be under the control of the council of the university.

As a result of this action on the part of the Board of Regents, New York will possess the largest medical school in this country, and the rivalry heretofore existing between the two schools will be at an end. Negotiations looking toward the consummation of this deal have been pending since March 1, although the idea originated in the minds of the members of the council of the university over a year ago. The initiative was taken by the officers of the New York University in a letter addressed to the Faculty and Trustees of the Bellevue Hospital Medical College dated March 17, 1896, which stated that, as the present condition of medical education in America demanded larger capital than ever before, and this capital could not so readily be secured or economized by one college as by the two together, therefore the invitation was extended by the New York University to the Bellevue College to join in the consolidation of the two institutions.

In reply to this invitation, the Trustees of the Bellevue Hospital Medical College on March 19 of that year unanimously adopted a resolution requesting the Regents of the University of the State of New York to take such action as would authorize a transfer of all the property, rights, and franchises of the Bellevue College to the New York University upon the assumption by the university of all the obligations of Bellevue College in consideration of such transfer.

On April 5, 1896, a special meeting of the University Council was held, and it was resolved that the officers of the university be authorized and directed to make and execute under the seal of the university a proper instrument acknowledging the acceptance by the university of the property, rights, and franchises of Bellevue College and assuming its debts and obligations. It was also resolved that the Alumni of the Bellevue Medical College be enrolled on and after the date of the completion of the consolidation as Alumni of the New York University, with equal standing and privileges.

Speaking of the consolidation, Chancellor MacCracken of the New York University said yesterday:

"This is the most important deal that was ever consummated by two prominent colleges. It joins two great schools, one of which had enrollment last year of 713 and the other of 344 students, making a grand total of 1,057. The combined Faculty will number 116, and it is to the members of the Faculty that credit should be given for the successful termination of the negotiations. They placed themselves entirely under the direction of the University Council, and relied upon that body for their future compensation and employment, and it can be safely said that had they not taken such action, but insisted upon separate contracts and personal negotiations, it would have been an endless procedure, causing in all probability a great deal of dissension and dissatisfaction."

The Bellevue Hospital College was incorporated in the latter part of 1860, and has occupied its present premises on Twenty-sixth Street, near First Avenue, for over thirty years. During that time it has paid New York City a rental of more than $100,000. Besides, it has conferred services upon the city in assisting the various lines of hospital effort. It first elaborated the Bureau of Medical and Surgical Relief for the Outdoor Poor, it moved in the organization of a separate Medical Board for the hospital on Blackwell's Island. Recently friends of the college purchased an additional 150 feet on First Avenue, adjoining the Carnegie Laboratory, which is on East Twenty-sixth Street, west of First Avenue, and was the gift of Andrew Carnegie to the college about ten years ago. The officers of the Bellevue Hospital College Board are D. O. Mills, President; Samuel Sloan, Vice President, and Louis B. Rolston, Secretary and Treasurer. These all join heartily in the new movement. D. O. Mills having sent a letter from San Francisco approving the consolidation.

The University Medical College owns buildings covering a frontage of 130 feet opposite Bellevue Hospital. It has been in existence twenty years longer than its neighbor, having been organized in 1841. Its work was first done on Broadway, opposite Bond Street, afterward on Fourteenth Street, occupying the site where Tammany Hall now stands. In 1866 it removed to its present site, opposite the Bellevue Hospital. At first the New York University was too limited in resources to furnish the plant for medical education. A private corporation of professors existed, known as the Medical College Laboratory. This had entire charge of the financial arrangements of the college until the present year, when it was unanimously decided to make over the direct control to the university corporation. The entire property used for medical purposes up to a few years ago was heavily incumbered. Through the benefactions of some of the university's friends and the generosity of Charles Butler, the property has been relieved of all debt.

HANDCUFFED AND ROBBED.

Williams Arrested Mitchell and Then Stole His Watch.

Joseph Williams, who refused to give his address, was arraigned in the Jefferson Market Police Court yesterday, accused of having stolen a gold watch and chain from Maurice Mitchell on March 31, after pretending that he was a detective and handcuffing him. He admitted his guilt, and was held for trial.

Mitchell is sixteen years old, and is employed by his father, a clothier at 751 Broadway. He frequently carries money from the store to the bank at Canal and Thompson Streets, and, it is supposed, Williams knew it. He was going to the bank when Williams stopped him and said he was a detective, with a warrant for his arrest. The lad started to accompany him to the police station. As they passed a side street where there was no one in sight, Williams clasped a pair of handcuffs on the boy's wrists and asked him what money he had in his pockets.

The boy said he had none. Williams convinced himself of the truth of his statement and ran away, after taking his gold watch and chain. Mitchell, still wearing the handcuffs, told his story at the Mercer Street Station. He gave a good description of the robber, and Wednesday Park Policeman McInerney, who had heard of the theft, arrested Williams on suspicion.

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ARTISTS AT LOGGERHEADS.

THEY ARE DIVIDED ON THE QUESTION OF TARIFF DUTIES.

Members of the National Academy of Design Oppose Free Art and Want a Specific Tax Imposed.

The conservatism which has been for so many years the most pronounced feature in the councils of the National Academy of Design has again asserted itself. For some days past there has been much adverse criticism among the Academicians and Associates of the recent manifesto issued by the Fine Arts Federation, of which the Academy is a member, against the provision of the Dingley Tariff bill taxing all imported art work 25 per cent. An Academy meeting was held on Tuesday evening, at which an effort was made to oppose the action of the federation.

There was a heated discussion at the meeting, but after the explanation had been made that the constitution of the federation did not permit the committing of any of its component bodies to any attitude assumed by the federation as a whole, the excitement subsided. A resolution was then offered and carried, embodying a protest to the federation against that body's committing any of the organizations which compose it to any position on a political or business question.

Tuesday evening's meeting developed the facts that the majority, even of the older artists in the Academy, are opposed to the Dingley bill, and that they favor, as a rule, a specific duty of $100 a picture, which they claim will keep out trash, but will not affect the importation of really good canvases. The argument was advanced that American artists painting or exhibiting pictures in Europe would be obliged to pay duties on any works they sent here for sale, and as a case in point it was stated that MacMonnies, the American sculptor, now working abroad, might have to pay as much as $150,000 in duties, did he wish to sell his works here.

The Fine Arts Federation will probably soon meet to take action on the Academy's protest, and as its other bodies are all enthusiastically in favor of free art, it is to be presumed this coming meeting will be a lively one.

DISHONEST MESSENGER BOYS.

Combining, They Stole About $25 from the Postal Telegraph Company.

Walter Commerse, the delivery clerk of the Postal Telegraph Company's office, at 317 Greenwich Street, and four messenger boys, were implicated some days ago in a systematic effort to rob the company, and all were discharged, Manager E. G. Cochran saying that their combined earnings did not warrant the company in entering upon a prosecution.

The scheme originated with Commerse. For each message that the boys handle a ticket is given to them calling for two cents. Commerse, who is a brother-in-law of Charles Ruffer, the manager of the branch office, took advantage of the confidence placed in him and increased the number of tickets to the boys who consented to the arrangement. By that means the number of messages seemed to be larger than was actually the case. But the petty peculators did not take into account the fact that the bookkeeper has a record of every individual message received and delivered, and in that way the leak was discovered. The total amount the combination had realized was probably $25.

THE EDUCATIONAL ALLIANCE.

Deficit for the Year, but the Prospect Is Encouraging.

The Educational Alliance, of which Isidor Straus is President, has issued its fourth annual report. The Committee on Finance states that the expenditures exceeded the receipts from ordinary resources, but that the alliance would begin its new fiscal year with over $3,600 on hand by reason of there being turned into the Treasury the proceeds of the fair recently held. Among the donations acknowledged was one from ex-Gov. Roswell P. Flower of $200. The total deposits in the Penny Provident Fund, which was established two years ago, amounted to $4,470.25.

The educational work included lectures by eminent professors on American history, biology, and English literature, and in addition to a Regents' Preparatory Class there were classes in operation in free-hand drawing, civics, and botany. The first art exhibition given by the alliance without co-operation with outside sources was highly successful, and was attended by 90,000 persons.

A CONVICT DEBTOR.

Russell Sage Takes Judgment Against a Man in Prison.

Russell Sage entered judgment yesterday against Albert H. Smith for $11,126 for the amount now due, with interest, on a note for $9,000, dated Oct. 11, 1890, payable four months after date, the collateral on which was sold by Mr. Sage Dec. 31, 1890, realizing $1,054. Mr. Smith is in Sing Sing Prison, where the summons was served on Warden C. V. Sage for Mr. Smith on Feb. 11 last.

Logan, Demond & Harby, who were attorneys for Mr. Smith, said that he was the junior partner in the firm of Mills, Robeson & Smith, bankers and brokers of 96 Broadway, which firm he wrecked in November, 1890, and was soon afterward sentenced to prison for seventeen years. The schedules of the firm showed liabilities of $730,000, actual assets of $11,500.

Ladies and the Junior Republic.

Another meeting was held at the Hotel Buckingham yesterday to promote the organization in this city of a Ladies' Auxiliary of the George Junior Republic. W. R. George, the originator of this plan for the training of children, was present and made an address outlining the purposes and methods of his work. A boy named Arthur, whose home was formerly in this city, but who has been for some time one of the citizens of the "republic" near Ithaca, and who is one of its officials, told his experiences. The meeting was attended by about 200 ladies, who showed their interest in the work by liberal subscriptions. The Ladies' Auxiliary will meet again at the Buckingham next Tuesday to adopt a constitution and by-laws. The President of the new organization is Mrs. Charles L. Wetherbee.

The Silk Weavers' Strike.

The strike of the weavers who went out on Wednesday from the silk factory of Stearns & Co., in East Forty-third Street, was continued yesterday. The men and women strikers held a meeting yesterday at 327 East Forty-third Street, where they passed resolutions that they would not go back to work unless their wages were raised and other concessions were made. A representative of the firm said there were more applications for work from outsiders than could be accepted. The strikers would not be taken back.

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THE PARADE ON GRANT DAY

All the Members of the General's Family Will Probably Be Present.

REPRESENTATION OF SCHOOLS.

Military Men Here Looking for Quarters for State Troops—Chief Conlin and the Line of March—Firemen Who Will Be in the Procession.

Col. Frederick D. Grant called upon Gen. Grenville M. Dodge yesterday and informed him that Jesse Grant, who lives in California, will be present at the dedication of the Grant monument. Unless some unforeseen obstacle arises all the members of Gen. Grant's family will be at the ceremonies of April 27.

Among the military men who called on Gen. Dodge yesterday were Adjt. Gen. Thomas J. Stewart, Col. Thomas Potter, Jr., and Lieut. W. F. Richardson of Pennsylvania; Gen. W. P. Orr, Col. Clarence E. Burke, and Col. Henry H. Prettyman of Ohio, and Capt. E. M. Clark, Major Benjamin E. Brown, and Capt. Ewen McIntyre of Connecticut. Their object was to discuss the position in line of the troops of their several States and to look out for their accommodation in this city.

The Ohio officers went to the Fifth Avenue Hotel, where it is thought Gov. Bushnell and staff will take rooms. They said that the Governor will bring the Toledo Cadets as his personal escort. The Pennsylvanians informed Gen. Dodge that their State will send 5,000 of her picked militiamen; the day previous the number of Pennsylvania troops to come here was put at 3,000. From the Connecticut officers it was learned that Gov. Cooke and staff will probably have rooms at the Hotel Manhattan. The First and Second Companies Governor's Foot Guards, and the New Haven Grays will represent the Nutmeg State.

Gov. Griggs has ordered out the entire National Guard of the State of New Jersey—the first time, it is said, that a mobilization of that force has ever been ordered. The men, 4,000 strong, will march in two brigades. The Erie Railroad Company has offered free transportation and ferriage to New York to all militiamen living along its line.

The Maryland Naval Militia, Commander I. E. Emerson, has been invited by Commander Miller to enjoy the hospitality of their New York brothers on the New Hampshire. The Veteran Corps of the Fifth Maryland Regiment will escort Gov. Lowndes in New York.

Formal applications for position in line in the Division of American Guards have been received from militant corps, colleges, and schools as follows: Alliance Cadets, Berkeley School, Baptist Boys' Brigade, Chinese Boy Students, De La Salle Corps of Cadets, Hamilton Institute Cadets, Hebrew Orphan Asylum Cadets, St. Bartholomew's Cadets, St. George's Cadets, and St. Francis Xavier Battalion, New York City; Emanuel Cadets and Lee Battalion, Brooklyn; Rockland Institute, Nyack, N. Y.; New York Military Academy, Cornwall-on-Hudson; Corcoran Cadet Corps, Washington; Girard College Cadets, Philadelphia; High School Cadets, Plainfield, N. J., Bloomfield (N. J.) Cadets; First Battalion New Jersey Cadets, and the First New Jersey Battalion, Boys' Brigade, of Jersey City.

Capt. E. L. Zalinski, United States Army, (retired,) who will be in command of this division, will receive further application from fully armed and equipped schools at Gen. Dodge's headquarters, Room 292, 1 Broadway, and desires that these applications be made as soon as possible. There will probably be 6,000 youths and boys in line in this division, and the number may go up to 8,000.

Mayor Strong, having received word that Admiral Moutt of Chile was desirous of being present at the dedication ceremonies, sent to him and his Adjutant, Capt. Gomez, invitations to come as guests of the city.

E. V. Skinner of the Canadian Pacific Railroad has been added to the General Committee, and also made a member of the Committee on Transportation.

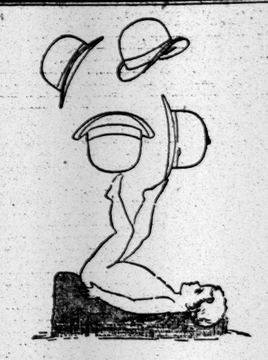
Chief of Police Conlin criticises the selection of Fifty-ninth Street between Fifth Avenue and the Boulevard as a part of the line of parade on the ground that this street is not wide enough for the easy passage of troops and that there are two lines of street railway tracks in it. He favors the use of Fifty-seventh Street. Gen. Dodge insists that Fifty-ninth Street is wide enough, and says that it was chosen because it would lead the parade before several of the largest hotels in New York. Chief Conlin appears to feel that he has been slighted because, as he says, he was not consulted as to the line of parade.

Chief Bonner issued orders yesterday for the assembling of three battalions of firemen in the Twenty-second Regiment Armory, Sixty-eighth Stret and the Boulevard, for drill for the parade. They will assemble this morning on the floor of the armory, and will be put through military evolutions by Major Thurston. The companies selected are those whose apparatus is drawn by three horses. They are Engine Companies Nos. 1, 3, 5, 9, 13, 14, 15, 24, 26, 21, 23, and 34 and Hook and Ladder Companies Nos. 4 and 20. While so large a fire force is away from their quarters the districts left uncovered will be attended to by special assignments of other companies. Extra precautions are to be taken to protect the city from fire while so many thousands of persons are away from their homes April 27.

A delegation from the West End Association yesterday asked the Dock Commissioner, in view of the Grant Day ceremonies, to remove at once the incumbrances and disfigurements "that at present exist upon the 1,100 feet of this water front, (the centre of which is Seventy-ninth Street,) now under your jurisdiction in order that New York may look with pride upon the grand water front of Riverside Park, upon which the eyes of the world are now centred." The matter was referred to Commissioner Monks, who promised to give it his earliest attention.

Berkeley School Prize Drill.

The seventeenth annual prize drill of the Berkeley School Corps will take place this evening at the Ninth Regiment armory, 125 West Fourteenth Street. The drill will be in accordance with the new infantry drill regulations. The music will be furnished by the Berkeley School drum and fife corps and the Seventy-first Regiment Band.



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MR. BRAKER'S OFFER TO BUY TWO ROADS CAUSES COMMENT.

Temporary Injunction Granted to Prevent Metropolitan Traction People from Changing Their Motive Power at Present.

H. J. Braker's offer to pay the city $1,000,000 each for the franchises of the Sixth and the Eighth Avenue Street Railroad Companies apparently had no disturbing effect yesterday upon the officers of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company. That corporation holds possession of both the Sixth and Eighth Avenue roads, under 999-year leases, and it furthermore holds the permit of the Commissioner of Public Works to change the motive power of the Eighth Avenue line from horses to the underground trolley. President Vreeland had nothing to say regarding Mr. Braker's offer.

Justice Beekman of the Supreme Court issued an order yesterday, on the application of Eugene C. Potter, restraining the Metropolitan Company from acting on Commissioner Collis's permit. Mr. Potter, who says that his interest in the matter is merely that of a taxpayer, asked for the injunction through his counsel, Charles Henry Butler, who is also the counsel for Mr. Braker. The ground upon which Mr. Potter based his application was that the city would lose nearly $4,000,000 if the underground trolley was built.

Lawyer Butler declared that Commissioner Collis had exceeded his authority in granting the permit. It would not be right or businesslike, he urged, to overlook the fact that a responsible party had offered to buy the Sixth and Eighth Avenue franchises for $2,000,000, paying, moreover, 3 per cent. on the profits for the first five years and 5 per cent. after that period. Under such circumstances, if Commissioner Collis's permit prevails, the city would lose a considerable revenue, and the taxes would therefore be increased. Justice Beekman made the temporary injunction order returnable next Monday. Upon that occasion argument will be heard from counsel on both sides.

Mr. Braker's authorized representative said yesterday that the propositon to buy the two franchises was a straightout business offer. It was made in good faith, and backed up by the necessary financial ability. He declined, however, to give the names of any other persons interested in the offer. Mr. Braker's proposal to furnish two fifty-thousand-dollar indemnity bonds, executed by the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, created some interesting conjectures. Henry B. Platt, Senator Thomas C. Platt's son, is the New York manager of the Fidelity and Deposit Company, and it did not take long for public rumor to associate the Platts with Edward Lauterbach, the counsel and dominating spirit of the Third Avenue Railroad Company. Mr. Braker's friends, however, deny that he is acting for the Third Avenue Company. An informal offer of $1,000,000 for the same franchises had previously been made by that company.

Mr. H. J. Braker is a member of the chemical importing firm of H. J. Braker & Brother, 95 William Street. In fact, Mr. Braker and William D. Faris are now the only members of the firm.

Mayor Strong heard brief arguments yesterday afternoon by Mirabeau L. Towns and other representatives of the Knights of Labor in favor of the acquisition of the Sixth and Eighth Avenue surface lines by the city. The labor delegations urged that the city exercise its right, under the old charters of the roads, to buy the property before the present lessee company began the laying of the underground trolley.

The Mayor yesterday also received a letter from a committee of the City Club, made up of E. R. L. Gould, William Travers Jerome, Frank J. Goodnow, Horace E. Deming, and Albert Shaw, urging the purchase of the franchises by the city and their resale to the highest bidder. Another letter received by the Mayor was from Charles H. Butler, Mr. Braker's counsel, resenting the imputation that Mr. Braker's bid was not made in good faith.

LOUIS LAMY'S TROUBLES.

The Letter on Which a Creditor Took Possession.

Louis Lamy, wholesale dealer in silks at 251 Mercer Street, who has been absent from his store since March 31, is supposed to be in Boston. Mr. Rusch of Abegg & Rusch, the largest creditor, received a letter on April 3, postmarked Boston, from Mr. Lamy, in which he said:

"As to my store, you can take possession of all there is there. My mental torture has been so great for so long a time that it is impossible for me to endure it any longer. It will kill me. Hope that some day I shall be able to prove to you that I am not an ingrate for the goodness you have shown me." The letter was in French.

Since his departure, numerous persons have called at the store to collect bills. A clerk went to the store every day and opened it and closed it, but no business has been transacted. All the stock was removed on Wednesday by Abegg & Rusch, who attached for $5,773. Mr. Lamy is supposed to have drawn $650 bank balance which he had to his credit, just prior to his departure. His liabilities are known to be at least $12,000, while the assets are valued at only $3,000.

Eligibility of Brooklyn Firemen.

Mayor Wurster gave a hearing yesterday to seven bills just passed by the Legislature. The one upon which the most opposition centred was a bill legalizing the appointment of thirty-one firemen by Commissioner Lawrence, in January, 1898. The men were appointed in the absence of an eligible list, and were recognized until two or three months after its preparation. The Civil Service Reform Association and the Civil Service Commission were represented in the opposition. The objecting speakers were William G. Low, Dr. Truman J. Backus, J. Warren Greene, and Henry M. Yonge.

Former Fire Commissioner Lawrence and Deputy Fire Commissioner Barrow spoke in favor of the bill.

American Bankers' Association.

The Executive Council of the American Bankers' Association, at a meeting at the Lawyers' Club yesterday, decided to hold the next convention at Detroit Aug. 10, 11, and 12. Special rates have been granted by the railroads to the delegation. The association is now larger than ever before in its history, the Secretary's report showing a paid membership of 2,366.

Guide to the Best Literature

Those interested in the best current literature will find delight in the contents of the issue of the **Review of Books and Art** to accompany THE NEW YORK TIMES of **Saturday, April 10.**

Among the features will be the following:

The Turk's Town
Interesting letter from Constantinople by Mrs. Max Muller.

Thackeray's Weimar Days
What he learned from them and the use he made of it.

Jowett of Balliol
His Life and Letters, just published in London, and some of the interesting things in the book.

The Pilgrims
Their story as told by themselves and others, in the original text.

News of the Libraries
Another city library which is going up town. Books which two libraries have excluded from their shelves.

The South Before the War
Prof. Trent's sketches of statesmen from Washington to Davis.

Early American Magazines
Phases of the publications with which periodical literature made its beginning in this country.

Colonial Virginia
Its close contact with England. Books that were read.

These are the distinctive features. Minor ones will give news and gossip of books and authors, art and artists, with editorial comments and miscellaneous matter.

The New York Times

All the News That's Fit to Print."

APPROVES STOOP-LINE BILL

Mayor Strong Held a Public Hearing on the Finn Measure, and Then Announced His Decision.

MUCH OPPOSITION WAS SHOWN.

Principal Objection Made Was that the Proposed Law Was Not General in Its Scope and Would Perpetuate Evils.

Mayor Strong yesterday announced that he would approve the Finn Stoop-line bill. He gave a public hearing on the measure at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and at the close stated that inasmuch as the bill had been amended in accordance with his suggestions made at the former hearing, it would be returned to the Legislature with his approval.

The hearing attracted a large company to the Mayor's office. Charles Blandy was the spokesman for the bill. Its opponents were representatives of the Board of Trade and Transportation, Good Government Club F, the Retail Grocers' Union, the United Business Men's Association, and the Twenty-third Street business men. The opponents of the bill were heard first.

E. S. Hobbs of Good Government Club F said that the enactment of the Finn bill would increase the market space of the city tenfold, and he had heard no demand for such increase. He denied that the bill had been amended to meet the objections raised by the Mayor at the previous hearing. He claimed that the provisions were still vague; that the stoop line was not defined, as the Mayor said it should be; that the law was not made to apply to the whole city, as the Mayor had pointed out that it should, but only embraced two blocks around the public markets.

Frank Thurber, who appeared for the Board of Trade and Transportation, said the bill did not meet the objections raised by the Mayor at the first hearing.

"But while the amended bill," said Mr. Thurber, "does not meet the objections of your